

HYDROPOOL serenity hot tub owner's manual



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On behalf of everyone at the company, we thank you for your decision to purchase a Hydropool hot tub.

Recognized for quality worldwide, we are confident that your new hot tub will provide you, your family and friends, with years of enjoyment and fulfill all your hydrotherapy needs.

Hydropool hot tubs are not only healthful and relaxing, they can even add value to your home.

Please take the time to carefully read and understand all the safety, installation and operating instructions in this manual before electrically connecting your hot tub and adding water.

The following pages contain valuable information and pointers that will save you both time and money, as well as help you to simplify upkeep and maintenance.

Since we manufactured our first hot tub in 1985, the Hydropool team has been dedicated to producing a quality product catering to maximum hydrotherapy, comfort, energy efficiency and ease of operation.

We are confident that as you become more familiar with the various safety and maintenance features of your new hot tub you will be satisfied that you made the right decision in purchasing a Hydropool hot tub.

Happy hot tubbing...



David Jackson



SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

IMPORTANT SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

Your physiological response to hot water is subjective and depends on your age, health, and medical history. If you don't know your tolerance to hot water, or if you get a headache, or become dizzy or nauseous when using your hot tub, get out and cool off immediately.



WARNING

1. CHILDREN SHOULD NOT USE SPAS OR HOT TUBS WITHOUT ADULT SUPERVISION.
2. DO NOT USE SPAS OR HOT TUBS UNLESS ALL SUCTION GUARDS ARE INSTALLED TO PREVENT BODY AND HAIR ENTRAPMENT.
3. PEOPLE USING MEDICATIONS AND/OR HAVING ANY ADVERSE MEDICAL HISTORY SHOULD CONSULT A PHYSICIAN BEFORE USING A SPA OR HOT TUB.
4. PEOPLE WITH INFECTIOUS DISEASES SHOULD NOT USE A SPA OR HOT TUB.
5. TO AVOID INJURY, EXERCISE CARE WHEN ENTERING OR EXITING THE SPA OR HOT TUB.
6. DO NOT USE DRUGS OR ALCOHOL BEFORE OR DURING THE USE OF A SPA OR HOT TUB, TO AVOID UNCONSCIOUSNESS AND POSSIBLE DROWNING.
7. PREGNANT OR POSSIBLE PREGNANT WOMEN SHOULD CONSULT A PHYSICIAN BEFORE USING A SPA OR HOT TUB.
8. WATER TEMPERATURE IN EXCESS OF 38°C (100°F) MAY BE INJURIOUS TO YOUR HEALTH.
9. BEFORE ENTERING THE SPA OR HOT TUB, MEASURE THE WATER TEMPERATURE WITH AN ACCURATE THERMOMETER.
10. DO NOT USE A SPA OR A HOT TUB IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING STRENUOUS EXERCISE.
11. PROLONGED IMMERSION IN A SPA OR HOT TUB MAY BE INJURIOUS TO YOUR HEALTH.
12. DO NOT PERMIT OR USE ELECTRIC APPLIANCES (SUCH AS LIGHT, TELEPHONE, RADIO OR TELEVISION) WITHIN 1.5M (5FT) OF THIS SPA OR HOT TUB.
13. CHILDREN SHOULD NOT ENTER A HOT TUB WHERE THE WATER TEMPERATURE EXCEEDS BODY TEMPERATURE (37°C / 98.6°F).
14. DO NOT ALLOW CHILDREN TO SUBMERGE THEIR HEAD UNDER WATER.
15. NEVER OPERATE THE HOT TUB PUMP AT HIGH SPEED WITHOUT HAVING ALL SUCTION AND RETURN LINES OPEN.
16. ALWAYS KEEP THE HARDCOVER INSTALLED AND LOCKED WHEN THE HOT TUB IS NOT IN USE.
17. TEST THE GFCI (GROUND FAULT CIRCUIT INTERRUPTER) MONTHLY.
18. POST EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS FOR POLICE, FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND AMBULANCE AT THE NEAREST PHONE.
19. TO REDUCE THE RISK OF INJURY
 - THE WATER IN A SPA SHOULD NEVER EXCEED 40°C (104°F). WATER TEMPERATURES BETWEEN 38°C (100°F) AND 40°C (104°F) ARE CONSIDERED SAFE FOR A HEALTHY ADULT. LOWER WATER TEMPERATURES ARE RECOMMENDED FOR YOUNG CHILDREN AND WHEN SPA USE EXCEEDS 10 MINUTES.
 - SINCE EXCESSIVE WATER TEMPERATURES HAVE A HIGH POTENTIAL FOR CAUSING FETAL DAMAGE DURING THE EARLY MONTHS OF PREGNANCY, PREGNANT OR POSSIBLY PREGNANT WOMEN SHOULD LIMIT SPA WATER TEMPERATURES TO 38°C (100°F).
 - BEFORE ENTERING A SPA, THE USER SHALL MEASURE THE WATER TEMPERATURE SINCE THE TOLERANCE FOR WATER TEMPERATURE-REGULATING DEVICES VARIES.
 - THE USE OF ALCOHOL, DRUGS, OR MEDICATION BEFORE OR DURING SPA USE MAY LEAD TO UNCONSCIOUSNESS, WITH THE POSSIBILITY OF DROWNING.
 - OBESE PERSONS AND PERSONS WITH A HISTORY OF HEART DISEASE, LOW OR HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE, CIRCULATORY SYSTEM PROBLEMS OR DIABETES SHOULD CONSULT A PHYSICIAN BEFORE USING A SPA.
 - PERSONS USING MEDICATION SHOULD CONSULT A PHYSICIAN BEFORE USING A SPA SINCE SOME MEDICATION MAY INDUCE DROWSINESS WHILE OTHER MEDICATION MAY EFFECT HEART RATE, BLOOD PRESSURE AND CIRCULATION.

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CAUTION

1. MAINTAIN WATER CHEMISTRY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MANUFACTURER'S INSTRUCTIONS.



DANGER

1. RISK OF ACCIDENTAL DROWNING. EXTREME CAUTION MUST BE EXERCISED TO PREVENT UNAUTHORIZED ACCESS BY CHILDREN. TO AVOID ACCIDENTS, ENSURE THAT CHILDREN CAN'T USE THE SPA UNLESS THEY ARE SUPERVISED AT ALL TIMES.
2. RISK OF INJURY. THE SUCTION FITTINGS IN THIS SPA ARE SIZED TO MATCH THE SPECIFIC WATER FLOW CREATED BY THE PUMP. SHOULD THE NEED ARISE TO REPLACE THE SUCTION FITTINGS OR THE PUMP, BE SURE THAT THE FLOW RATES ARE COMPATIBLE. NEVER OPERATE THE SPA IF THE SUCTION FITTINGS ARE BROKEN OR MISSING. NEVER REPLACE A SUCTION FITTING WITH ONE RATED LESS THAN THE FLOW RATE MARKED ON THE ORIGINAL SUCTION FITTING.
3. RISK OF ELECTRIC SHOCK. INSTALL AT LEAST 1.5M (5FT) FROM ALL METAL SURFACES. AS AN ALTERNATIVE, A SPA MAY BE INSTALLED WITHIN 1.5M (5FT) OF METAL SURFACES IF EACH METAL SURFACE IS PERMANENTLY CONNECTED BY A MINIMUM 8 AWG (8.4 mm²) SOLID COPPER CONDUCTOR TO THE WIRE CONNECTOR ON THE TERMINAL BOX THAT IS PROVIDED FOR THIS PURPOSE.
4. RISK OF ELECTRIC SHOCK. DO NOT PERMIT ANY APPLIANCE, SUCH AS A LIGHT, TELEPHONE, RADIO, OR TELEVISION, WITHIN 1.5M (5FT) OF THE SPA.

HYPERTHERMIA

Since your hot tub can be set to reach temperatures of 40°C (104° F), users should be aware that extended submersion in water that exceeds normal body temperature can lead to hyperthermia.

The causes, symptoms and effects of hyperthermia may be described as follows:

Hyperthermia occurs when the internal temperature of the body reaches several degrees above the normal body temperature of 37°C (98.6°F). The symptoms of hyperthermia include drowsiness, lethargy, and an increase in the internal temperature of the body. The effects of hyperthermia include:

- Unawareness of impending hazard
- Failure to perceive heat
- Failure to recognize the need to exit the hot tub
- Physical inability to exit the hot tub
- Fetal damage in pregnant woman
- Unconsciousness resulting in the danger of drowning

If you sense any of the symptoms of hyperthermia, safely exit the hot tub immediately.

WARNING



THE USE OF ALCOHOL, DRUGS OR MEDICATION CAN SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASE THE RISK OF FATAL HYPERTHERMIA.

CHOOSING THE RIGHT LOCATION

Your HydroPool hot tub can be installed indoors or out, on the ground, in the ground or half-and-half. The following information will assist you in choosing the right location for your individual needs. When making your decision, always remember that hot tubs can be enjoyed year-round, indoors or out, regardless of the climate. Many HydroPool owners report that their favourite time to use a hot tub is in the cooler fall and winter months, while others praise the enjoyment of using their hot tub in the warmer spring and summer months.

INDOOR LOCATIONS

If members of your family are not cold weather enthusiasts, or if your backyard or patio area is not suitable for a hot tub installation, then an indoor location for your hot tub may be your best or only choice. You may wish to create an exercise/spa area in your home, or install your hot tub in a glass solarium or four-season room adjoining your home. Indoor installations not only add a unique look and appeal

to your home, they provide the privacy and controlled climate to ensure that use and enjoyment of your hot tub is maximized.

If you should choose an indoor location, you will find further information as outlined in the section

“SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR INDOOR INSTALLATIONS”



OUTDOOR LOCATIONS

For a variety of reasons, outdoor locations are a far more popular choice. Some of the reasons include:

- Limited indoor space
- Delivery complications due to door openings, stairwells, etc.
- Limited budget (indoor installations usually also involve interior home renovations)
- Desire for an outdoor entertainment center
- Hot tub is being installed adjacent to an existing or planned swimming pool
- Concerns over splashing water inside the home

For those who choose an outdoor location, hot tub operating temperatures can be adjusted to match the season. In colder months, many owners will operate their hot tub in the range of 38-40°C (100 -104°F).

During warmer months, an operating temperature of 36-37°C (97-99°F) will provide a refreshing retreat. If you should choose an outdoor location, you will find further information as outlined in the section

“SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR OUTDOOR INSTALLATIONS”



GENERAL INSTALLATION CONSIDERATIONS

- 1 Your HYDROPOOL Hot Tub is a self-contained pre-plumbed unit, so that no on-site plumbing connections to the residential water supply or drain are required.
- 2 Ensure that your HYDROPOOL Hot Tub is properly supported by either a level concrete pad, or a properly constructed deck capable of supporting 1220 kg/m² (250 lbs./ft.²). If there is a possibility that the pad could shift by freezing/thawing ground movement (such as in clay regions, and/or areas with high water tables) concrete footings extending below the frost line are recommended.
- 3 Decking should be chosen and constructed in a manner that minimizes the chance of slipping or falling.
- 4 If you do not have a factory installed insulated cabinet, it is assumed that you are building your own custom cabinet, tiling or decking.

Please consider the following:

- a Your HYDROPOOL Hot Tub is self-supporting on its base. The cabinet should be decorative only, not for support. Never suspend the hot tub from the deck or cabinet.
- b Where the hot tub is not equipped with a factory installed cabinet, it is the installer's responsibility to ensure all electrical equipment is weather protected.

- c Always provide adequate access for servicing the support equipment.
 - d Decking should be constructed to allow repair access around the entire hot tub.
 - e In remote equipment or no-cabinet installations, you may add extra insulation, but the equipment area must have adequate cross-flow ventilation.
- 6 Installation of a safety grab rail or reachable support for use when entering or exiting the hot tub is recommended.
 - 7 A nearby garden hose connection is recommended for filling and "topping up" the hot tub.

WARNING



The hot tub equipment and all electrical plugs, outlets and lights within 1.5m (5ft) of the hot tub must be G.F.C.I protected. Consult your electrician or local electrical authority for further details.

Access to the hot tub must always be secured:

Outdoors - in accordance with local property by-laws and/or via an approved fence with a self-closing gate and a safety hardcover;

Indoors - by a lockable door and a safety hardcover.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

INDOOR INSTALLATIONS

- When the hot tub is to be installed in a small room (under 150 ft²/14 m²), we recommend that large units be fully or partially submerged in-floor so that it does not dominate the room. This will also provide greater overhead clearance for entry and exit to and from the hot tub
- It is beneficial to have the hot tub room located near wash room and shower facilities
- The hot tub room should have a floor drain to handle splash water, a window, outside exhaust fan or humidistat controlled exhaust fan for ventilation. Where this is not practical, the use of indoor/outdoor carpeting or a tile floor and the opening of a window while the hot tub cover is removed should be sufficient. You should not have concerns regarding humidity. When the hardcover is installed, no humidity will escape. During use, the small amount of humidity released into the room can be removed with the use of a dehumidifier
- Consider plumbing a water tap and drain location nearby to facilitate draining and top-up
- Always provide adequate ventilation for the support equipment
- Consult your local Hydropool retailer for further information

OUTDOOR INSTALLATIONS

- Contact your local building code department to determine if a building permit is necessary and for information on applicable bylaws (distance from property lines, buildings, fencing requirements, etc.)
- If you are doing any excavating, contact your local gas, electric, and cable-company to ensure that there are no underground lines
- Locate the hot tub, where practical, within close distance of a door to the house to maximize potential winter use.
- Ensure that all hot tub support equipment is easily accessible and protected from the elements
- If possible, locate the hot tub where you will enjoy some privacy, out of the site of neighbours. If this is not possible, a partial privacy or wind partition, or proper placement of the optional Hydropool cover lifter should provide adequate privacy
- The hot tub support equipment is designed for indoor (out of the direct elements) use. When your HYDROPOOL hot tub is equipped with a factory-installed cabinet, and installed as per the guidelines of this manual, the equipment will be adequately protected. If the hot tub is shipped without a cabinet, your custom cabinet or other structure must be designed to supply protection for the hot tub support equipment from rain, snow, splash water, etc., but still designed in a manner to ensure adequate ventilation.

SITE PREPARATION

ABOVE-GROUND INSTALLATIONS

Where the hot tub is a “stand-alone” above-ground installation to be installed in regions where freeze/thaw conditions may occur, a level patio stone or pre-formed paver type base may be sufficient if there is no abutting deck(s) that could be damaged during potential seasonal movement of the ground. The potential drawback to this type of base is that splash water could eventually de-stabilize the ground under the base, with the resultant shift of the support base causing damage to the hot tub structure.

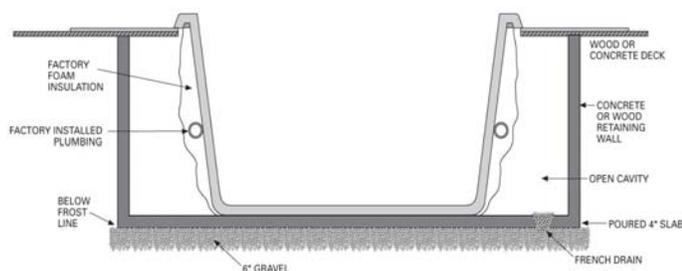
For best results, we recommend the installation of a level concrete pad:

- **Dig out and level the ground 20-30 cm (8-12 in.) below your desired base level**
- **Install 10-15 cm (4-6 in.) of crushed stone**
- **Next, install 10-15 cm (4-6 in.) of poured concrete**
- **Level the concrete and apply a broom-type finish**
- **We recommend that the pad be made 15 cm (6 in.) larger than the hot tub on three sides, and 1 m (3 ft.) larger on the side where the access steps and/or planters will be installed.**

In regions where freeze/thaw occurs, or where there will be custom decking abutting the hot tub we recommend the installation of sono-tubes beneath the pad to prevent shifting.

IN-GROUND & PARTIAL IN-GROUND INSTALLATIONS

For units being installed fully or partially in the ground, the type of support will again vary based on whether or not the tub is being installed in an area with freeze/thaw conditions. Hydro-pool does **not** recommend back-filling full in-ground or partial in-ground installations.



- Non-freezing climates – it is sufficient to ensure that the base of the hole or cavity created for the tub has a dry, stable, compacted level base and proper drainage

- Climates where freeze/thaw occurs – it is necessary that a poured level reinforced concrete base, complete with concrete footings, be installed as outlined in the section **ABOVE-GROUND INSTALLATIONS**

- Areas with a high ground water table – a level concrete base, as well as a concrete or wood retaining wall to hold back the earth, is recommended. This forms a box or ‘bunker’, in which the hot tub is placed

- **ALWAYS** ensure that there is good drainage, via a properly designed French drain (gravel) system and/or a sump pump, to prevent ground water flooding damage to the support equipment or hot tub structure

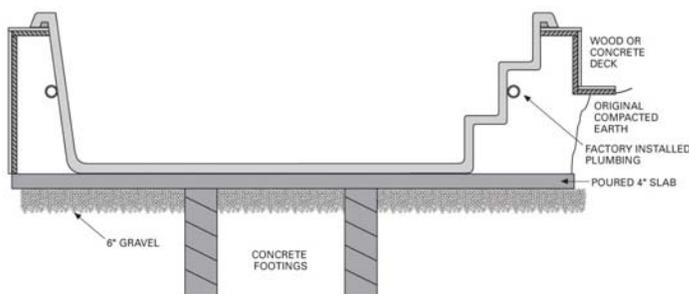
- Install protective waterproof conduit to house light, or topside control cables that will be buried

- Access for future service must be considered at the time of design and installation. Difficult access can result in supplemental service labor charges not covered by the factory warranty. Consider easily removable deck materials.

- Make sure the hot tub or swim spa is tested during 48 hours before you prepare the installation of the surrounding/finish deck around your hot tub. Even though all units are tested in our plant, some transport/site handling damage can occur and we suggest you make sure the tub is perfectly waterproof before finalizing your installation.

OVERALL SUPPORT

Your HydroPool hot tub is equipped with a factory installed load support substructure, which distributes the weight of the water over the entire foot area of the hot tub. The cabinet, either factory installed or customized on-site, should be decorative only, and not relied on for overall support. Never suspend a hot tub from a deck or floor by the outer acrylic edge, as this will lead to product damage and/or serious personal injury.



EQUIPMENT ACCESSIBILITY AND PROTECTION

The equipment must be located in an area where it will remain dry and will not be exposed to rain, snow or ground water. The standard HydroPool hot tub has the equipment installed inside the protective cedar cabinet.

- When your hot tub is to be installed above-ground, the cabinet is designed for both protection and accessibility
- When your hot tub is to be installed fully or partially in the ground, if you are relocating the equipment remotely from the hot tub, or if you have ordered a hot tub without

a cabinet: it is necessary that the equipment is installed in an area that is dry, protected from the elements, has proper ventilation and is easily accessible for service

- Always ensure that the equipment is mounted on a raised base or platform to prevent potential water damage to the motor, equipment or controls
- Ensure that access to the equipment and the working area around the equipment is large enough to accommodate a service person

UNLOADING / HANDLING YOUR HOT TUB

All HydroPool hot tubs are shipped with a protective combination layer of foam wrap, cardboard and plastic film. Each hot tub is factory strapped onto a wood skid. If your hot tub is to be delivered by your local dealer, it will generally arrive on a flat bed truck or low profile trailer. Most dealers are equipped with the necessary equipment to maneuver the hot tub from the truck to the dolly or cart that will be used to move your hot tub to the installation location.

Should your hot tub arrive in a common closed box trailer, it may be necessary to arrange with a local towing company for a tilt and load tow truck, with a pulley winch system, to pull the skid from the larger trailer to the lower profile tow truck flat bed. The hot tub can be gently slid off the low profile trailer and positioned on its side on a cart or dolly on its back side only.

Most HydroPool models require a clearance width of at least 100 cm. (39 in.) to allow movement of the unit on its side through alley-ways, fence openings, etc. Where this is not possible, the use of a crane to lift the hot tub from the truck or trailer over the house to the patio or yard is often a simple and economical option.

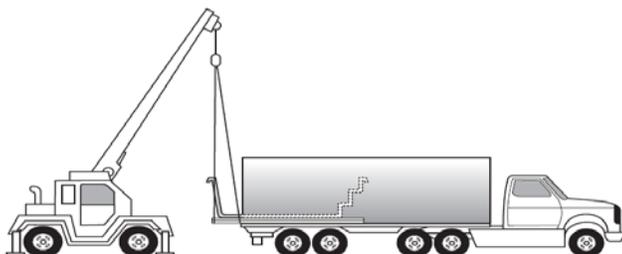
WARNING

- Do not move or place the hot tub on the side where the equipment is located as damage could occur
- Never roll or flip the hot tub end over end as the cabinet could be damaged



- Never lift or handle the hot tub by the plumbing
- Make sure that there is sufficient assistance to gently slide the hot tub off the dolly or cart to the support base without any damage

Important Note: Damage caused during transportation or by improper handling is not covered by the factory warranty.



IMPORTANT ELECTRICAL SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

SAFETY COMES FIRST. WHEN INSTALLING & USING THIS ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, BASIC SAFETY PRECAUTIONS MUST ALWAYS BE FOLLOWED!

1 READ AND FOLLOW ALL INSTRUCTIONS

- 2 Electrical installation must be completed by a qualified electrician in accordance with all National, Regional and Local Codes and Regulations in effect at the time of installation.
- 3 Connect only to a dedicated circuit protected by a class 'A' two-pole ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI)
- 4 **Use copper conductors only!**
- 5 The hot tub equipment and all electrical plugs, outlets and lights within 1.5m (5ft) of the unit must be G.F.C.I protected. Consult your electrician or local electrical authority for further details.
- 6 A green colored terminal or a terminal marked "G", "GR", "Ground", or "Grounding" is located inside the supply terminal box or compartment. To reduce the risk of electric shock, this terminal must be connected to the grounding means provided in the electric supply service panel with a continuous copper wire equivalent in size to the circuit conductors supplying the equipment.
- 7 At least two lugs marked "BONDING LUGS" are provided on the external surface or on the inside of the supply terminal box or compartment. To reduce the risk of electric shock, connect the local common bonding grid in the area of the hot tub to these terminals with an insulated or bare copper conductor not smaller than No.6 AWG (Canada/Europe) / No.8 AWG (USA).
- 8 All field installed metal components such as rails, ladders, drains or other similar hardware within 3 m (10 ft) of the hot tub shall be bonded to the equipment grounding bus with copper conductors not smaller than No.6 AWG.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

- This guide is for standard installations where the wire run is 15 m (50 ft.) or less. For longer wire runs, consult a qualified electrician.

G.F.C.I./R.C.D. APPLICATION GUIDE FOR HYDROPOOL SERENITY SERIES	
NORTH AMERICA	
Special Edition	15A
Gold Series	40A
Platinum Series	50A
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EUROPE	
All models	20A

WIRE SIZE

NORTH AMERICA

- The minimum wire size for systems that require a 40A GFCI is # 8/3 c/w ground (also referred to as # 8 gauge / 4 conductor).
- The minimum wire size for systems that require a 50A GFCI is # 6/3 c/w ground (also referred to as # 6 gauge / 4 conductor).

EUROPE

- Standards for amperage breaks may vary from country to country in the CE controlled area. Please consult your local installer for advice on breaker level and wire specifications. Some examples are below:

Breaker of 13A –wire must be 1.5 mm²

Breaker of 16A—wire must be 2.5 mm²

Breaker of 20A—wire must be 4.0 mm²

Breaker of 32A—wire must be 6.0 mm²

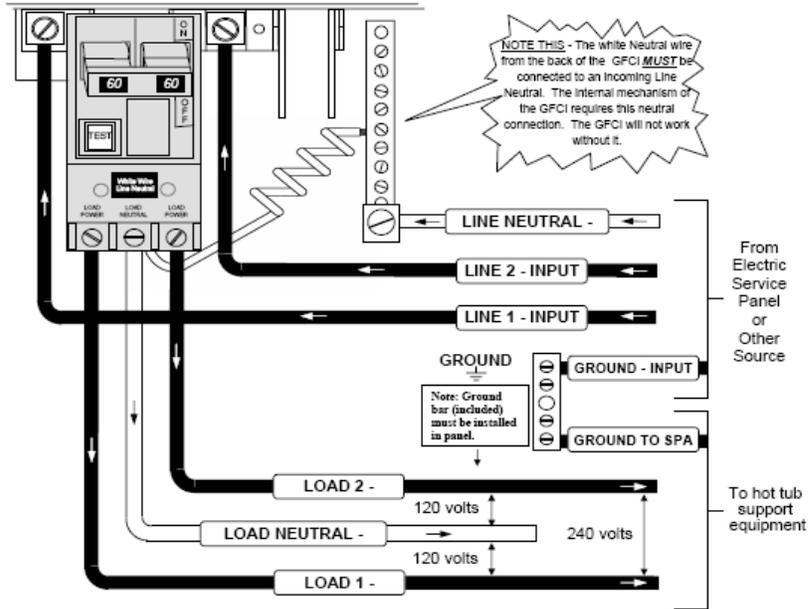
NORTH AMERICA – GFCI INSTALLATION



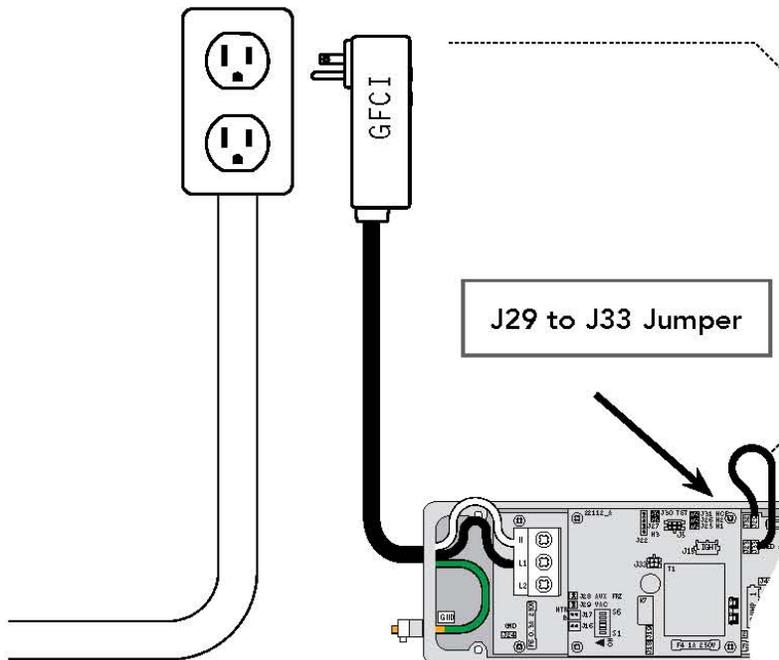
NOTICE

Installation of the GFCI - Circuit Breaker, including ampere sizing and selection of conductor size and type, must be performed by a qualified electrician in accordance with the National Electrical Code, or the Canadian Electrical Code, and all Federal, State/Provincial and local codes and regulations in effect at the time of installation.

SIEMENS - 240 VOLT TYPICAL



LEVITON - 120 VOLT TYPICAL

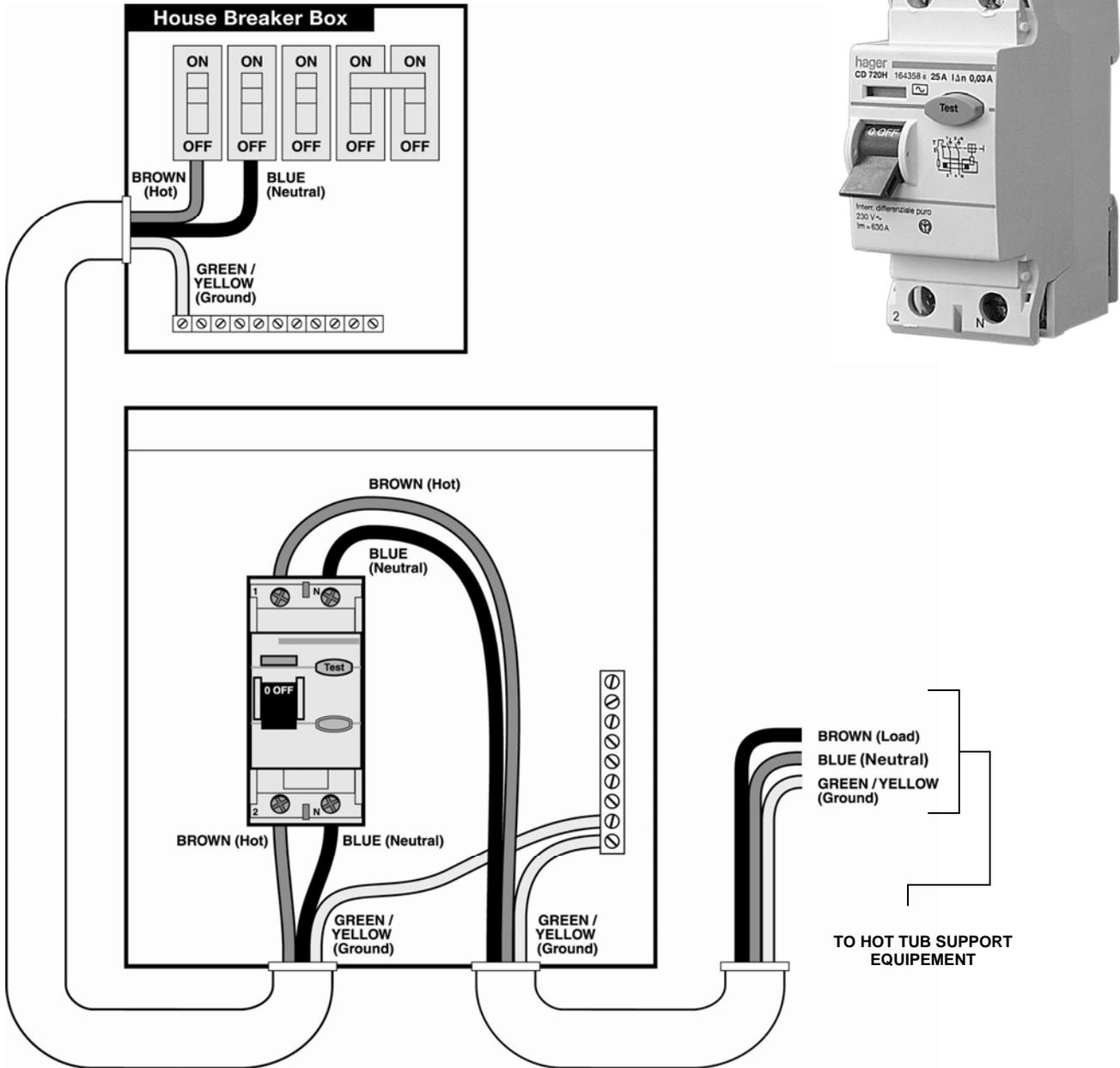


EUROPE – R.C.D. INSTALLATION - TYPICAL



NOTICE

Important Note: Installation of the R.C.D. - Circuit Breaker, including ampere sizing and selection of conductor size and type, must be performed by a qualified electrician in accordance with National, Regional and Local Codes and Regulations in effect at the time of installation.



ACCESSORIES

OPTIONAL COVER REMOVER

HydroPool offers several different devices to assist in the removal of the safety hard cover. Please refer to the instructions supplied with your particular cover remover for installation. For further information, contact your local HydroPool retailer.



SAFETY HARDCOVER LOCKS

The ASTM approved safety hard cover is designed to open away from the control area, however, if the hot tub is symmetrical in dimension, the cover can be oriented to open in either direction. Simply place the cover on the hot tub, pull the straps down so that they are fully extended, then release slightly so that there is approximately 6 mm (1/4 in.) of slack. Mark the position on the cabinet, and fasten the receiver clip with the screws provided.

CAUTION



Always ensure the safety hard cover is in place and locked whenever the hot tub is not being used.



YOUR DREAM SCENTS AROMATHERAPY SYSTEM

Operational Instructions:

This exclusive aromatherapy system is independent from the blower and uses liquid scents.

To operate the system is very simple:

1) To fill begin by opening the cap "counterclockwise" on the unit and remove. There are arrows on the cap to indicate the direction in which to turn the cap to open. Then fill the reservoir with your favorite HydroPool liquid scent (or equivalent).

To replace cap perform the reverse of the above directions.

2) Now the system is ready to work: just push the button to release the scent into the hot tub and repeat to add more liquid scent as desired, please note by turning the button clockwise you can lock it so that any accidental pushing of the button will not result in adding unwanted liquid scent when not desired. To unlock turn button counter-clockwise.

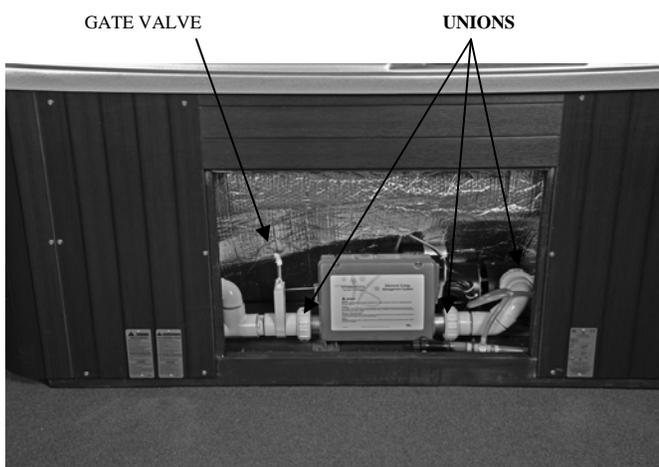


FILLING, CHECKING AND STARTING YOUR HOT TUB



FILLING

- When adding water for the first time, the hot tub should be filled through the skimmer opening (helps to prevent air locks) using a standard garden hose, turning the tap on slowly to prevent damage to the surface by a jerking hose connection.
- Pull up the handles on the intake and return gate valves (handles are pulled up when valves are open and pushed down when valves are closed).
- Ensure the drain hose-bib is closed.
- Ensure that all jets are open. See section **JET & FEATURE OPERATION**



- Fill the hot tub to the recommended level, approximately 4 inches above the top of the skimmer opening.

CHECKING

- Although your hot tub was thoroughly water-tested in the factory, some loosening of fittings can occur during shipping. Before any decking, tiling or carpeting is completed around the installation, fill and operate your hot tub to test for leaks (this ensures easy access and inexpensive correction). Check all union connections and plumbing for minor leaks. In the event of a leak, ensure all union connections and pump plugs are tight and all o-rings/gaskets are in place.

STARTING

- Before applying voltage to power-up your hot tub, it is very important that you understand the sequence of events that occur when the system is activated in order that the pump can be primed efficiently and damage to the system can be avoided.



**PROPER WATER LEVEL AT
SKIMMER OPENING**

- Turn the main power "on" at your electrical panel.
- Follow the control instructions for your particular model hot tub to put the pump into low speed **see section HYDROPOOL CONTROL SYSTEMS PUMP PRIMING/RELEASING AN AIR LOCK**
- On some systems a message will appear on the display indicating that the system is in PUMP PRIMING MODE ("RUN PMPS PURG AIR"). This mode will last for 4 minutes before automatically entering the normal operation mode. **See complete details for your spa in section HYDROPOOL CONTROL SYSTEMS**

Definition: 'Priming' a pump is a term used to describe the process in which air trapped in the plumbing and pump wet-end (referred to as an 'air lock') is released, allowing the pump to move water efficiently through the plumbing system and to the jets.

O- RING / GASKET AT UNION CONNECTIONS



...THROUGH THE PUMP UNION

RELEASING AN AIR LOCK...



- When the hot tub pump is located below water level, the water should start circulating immediately. If the motor works but you do not notice water circulation within the first 15 seconds, the pump may require priming due to trapped air (referred to as an 'air lock'). If the pumps have not self-primed after 2 minutes, and water is not flowing from the jets, **DO NOT** allow the pumps to continue to run. Turn power off at the main house panel (or GFCI) and try releasing the air by loosening the union on the discharge side of the pump(s) while the motor is not running. Turn the power back on. If the pumps do not prime after 15 seconds, sometimes momentarily turning the pump(s) off and on will help the system to prime (note: do not do this more than 5 times).

- Important: Under **NO** circumstances should the pump(s) be allowed to operate without priming beyond 5 minutes, as this may not only cause unwarrantable damage to the pump, it may also cause the control system to go into an overheat condition.

- Turn the pump onto high speed and re-check for leaks. The control system will automatically return the pump to low speed after 15 minutes.

- Adjust the hot tub heat control at the topside panel to the desired water temperature.

- Adjust water balance (pH, TA, calcium hardness) to recommended levels and add sanitizer once the water temperature reaches 20°C (68°F). **See section HOT TUB WATER BALANCE**

- The hot tub will require 8-10 hours to reach the desired temperature.

- Keep insulated safety hard cover on the hot tub, and the air controls closed during the entire heat up process.

WINTER DRAIN PLUG(S)



HYDROPOOL SERENITY SERIES CONTROL SYSTEMS

NORTH AMERICA / EUROPE

HYDROPOOL SERENITY – ALL SERIES



INITIAL START-UP

Before applying voltage to power-up your hot tub, it is very important that you understand the sequence of events that occur when the system is activated in order that the pump can be primed efficiently and damage to the system can be avoided.

At initial power-up, this display will appear, and the system will show 4 sets of numbers in succession as follows (**M100**, **_200**, **V4** and **240V**). These numbers represent the current software revision, and the system input voltage. After the initial software indicators are shown, the display will flash “**LINK**”. This refers to “linking” the TP600 control panel with the system and is done by pressing any key on the control. After this is done the display will show “**RUN PMPS PURG AIR**”. This display is indicating that the system is in **PUMP PRIMING MODE**. This mode will last for 4 minutes before automatically exiting and entering the normal operation mode. You can also manually exit **PUMP PRIMING MODE** by pressing any **TEMP** button.

While in this mode, the heater circuit is disabled to allow the priming process to be completed without the possibility of energizing the heater element during low flow or no flow conditions. The system will not automatically activate any of the functions, however, by pushing the pad on the topside control, the pump can be manually activated to facilitate priming.

Definition: ‘Priming’ a pump is a term used to describe the process in which air trapped in the plumbing and pump wet-end (referred to as an ‘air lock’) is released, allowing the pump to move water efficiently through the plumbing system and to the jets.

PUMP PRIMING MODE

As soon as “**RUN PMPS PURG AIR**” is indicated on the topside panel, push the pad to start Pump 1 in low speed, then again to switch to high speed to facilitate priming. **See FILLING, CHECKING AND STARTING YOUR HOT TUB for complete instructions on pump priming.**

Once pump priming has been successfully completed, press the pad to turn off the pump.

Next, manually exit **PRIMING MODE** by pressing any “**TEMP**” button. If you do not manually exit **PRIMING MODE**, it will automatically terminate after 4 minutes. Be sure that the pump is primed before exiting this mode.

SET TIME

After the system exits **PRIMING MODE**, it will ask you to “**SET TIME**”. See the instructions on the following pages.



TEMPERATURE CONTROL FUNCTIONALITY AND ADJUSTMENT



After you manually exit or the system automatically exits Priming Mode, your hot tub will automatically heat to the factory preset default temperature of 38°C (100°F) The topside panel will briefly show the default temperature, and then the display will appear as follows:

Note that the water temperature is not yet displayed, as the system requires approximately 2 minutes of water flow through the heater to determine temperature. This is referred to as ‘polling’ and is indicated on the display by the icon. After 2 minutes the display will show the current measured water temperature

Press the pad to increase the temperature to the desired setting. The Heat indicator light on the Topside Panel will shimmer for 90 seconds, indicating that the system is not yet heating, then will illuminate solidly to indicate that the heater circuit has been energized and the spa water is being heated.

In Standard Operating Mode, the system automatically activates Pump 1 low speed every 30 minutes for at least 2 minutes.

After 2 minutes, the spa water temperature is determined. At this point, if the water temperature is lower than the set temperature, P1 will continue to run and the Heat indicator light on the Topside Panel will illuminate. The heater will operate until the water temperature reaches the set temperature point, after which, both the heater and Pump 1 low will automatically turn off.

To Check/Change the Set Temperature

The last measured temperature is constantly displayed on the topside panel. When this pad is pressed once any time during normal operation, the display will show the set temperature for 3 seconds. Press this pad a second time to increase or decrease the set temperature. To change the direction of the temperature settings (ie. lower vs. raise the temperature), allow the display to revert back to the current water temperature then press the pad again.

Temperature Ranges

High Range can be set between 27°C (80°F) and 40°C (104°F) in 1° increments.

Low Range can be set between 10°C (50°F) and 37°C (99°F) in 1° increments.

Heater Function

The heater operates with pump low-speed only, and turns off when ever pump high-speed or blower is activated.

PUMP / JETS FUNCTION



Press this pad to activate pump 1 and pump 2

- 1st press** – turns on low speed (P1 only)
- 2nd press** – turns on high speed (1st press P2)
- 3rd press** – turns off pump (2nd press P2)



When low speed is already operating, the 1st press of the pad puts the pump directly into high speed.

Low speed starts automatically for 1 minute every 30 minutes to detect the spa temperature (polling) and then to heat to the set temperature if needed. (in READY Mode only – see **MODE FUNCTION**), when a filter cycle is activated, or when a freeze condition is detected.

PUMP AUTOMATIC TIME-OUT

- High speed** – 15 minutes
- Low speed** – 30 minutes

FILTER CYCLES

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

At the start of each filter cycle Pump 2 (if there is one) will run briefly to purge its plumbing and maintain good water quality. The factory default is 4 hours per filter cycle.

PROGRAMMING FILTER CYCLES

To change the factory default filter cycle settings

At the main screen, begin by pressing TEMP

Press LIGHT repeatedly until FLTR appears
Press TEMP to advance to the beginning of the time setting process for filtration. (F1 or F2)

TEMP advances to the first screen to change the time for F1 or F2. (BEGN will appear)

The hour will flash. Press TEMP to change the hour

Press LIGHT to advance to minutes

Press TEMP to change the minutes



Press LIGHT to set the Run Hours

Press TEMP to begin hour change for F1 or F2

Each TEMP press increments the hours

LIGHT press advances to minutes

Each TEMP press advances the time 15 minutes

Press LIGHT when finished



MODE FUNCTION (Ready and Rest)

A combination of keypads is used to change hot tub operation to either 'READY' or 'REST' mode.

READY MODE

READY mode will circulate the water every 1/2 hour, using Pump1 Low, in order to maintain a constant water temperature, heat as needed, and refresh the temperature display. This is known as "polling".

REST MODE

REST mode will only allow heating during programmed filter cycles. Since polling does not occur, the temperature display may not show a current temperature until the heater pump has been running for a minute or two.

PROGRAMMING MODE FUNCTION

Press TEMP

Press LIGHT repeatedly until MODE appears

In MODE, TEMP button toggles between SET READY and SET REST

Choose SET READY or SET REST, then press LIGHT to set and exit.



SETTING THE CLOCK

At the main screen, begin by pressing TEMP

Press LIGHT repeatedly until TIME appears

Press TEMP at TIME (HRS begin to flash)

Press TEMP keys to change hours

Press LIGHT (minutes begin to flash)

Press TEMP keys to change minutes

Press LIGHT to exit



HOLD MODE (STANDBY)

The HOLD (standby) feature stops the system from operating automatically, allowing for convenient filter cartridge removal and replacement.

The following pads must be pressed.

Press TEMP to desired hold temperature

Press LIGHT repeatedly to HOLD

Press TEMP to count down

The system will automatically exits HOLD (Standby) Mode after 1 hour and resume normal operating functions.

Press then the pad - the display will flash.

If the system is heating when HOLD (Standby) Mode is activated, the display will flash and the pump will continue to operate for 15 seconds to allow the heater to cool off before stopping.

TEMPERATURE RANGES

The **TEMP** feature allows you to select a low and high temperature range depending on your climate and time of year. The settings are as follows:

High Range can be set between 27°C (80°F) and 40°C (104°F) in 1° increments.

Low Range can be set between 10°C (50°F) and 37°C (99°F) in 1° increments.

To change your selection press the following sequence.

Press TEMP

Press LIGHT repeatedly until TEMP appears

Press TEMP to select the range (HIGH “^” or low “v”)

Press LIGHT to select the Temperature Mode



LOCK (RESTRICTING PANEL OPERATION)

Locking the panel prevents the spa from being used; it also prevents unwanted temperature adjustments. All automatic functions are still active/ Locking the Temperature allows jets and other features to be used, but the set temperature and other programmed settings cannot be adjusted.

Press TEMP

Press LIGHT repeatedly until LOCK appears

Press TEMP

Press LIGHT to toggle between TEMP and PANL

Press TEMP to toggle ON or OFF

Press LIGHT to exit



UNLOCK (ALLOWING PANEL OPERATION)

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

Press TEMP. LOCK appears on display

Press and hold TEMP while pressing LIGHT twice. UNLK will appear on screen and then will exit the menu.



INVERT

Pressing this key will toggle the display so that it is readily visible from inside the spa when you are using it.



PURGE (CLEAN-UP) CYCLES

When a pump or blower is turned on by a button press, a clean up cycle begins 30 minutes after the pump or blower is turned off or times out. The pump and ozone generator will run for 20 minutes or more, depending on the system.

OZONATOR OPTIONAL

The ozonator operates during **FILTER CYCLES** only.

FREEZE PROTECTION

If the temperature sensor detects a drop to 4°C (39°F) within the heater chamber, the system automatically activates the pump to provide freeze protection. The pump will operate until the temperature reaches approximately 5°C (41°F) before returning to normal system mode.

VARIABLE AIR THERAPY SYSTEM CONTROL FUNCTIONS:

Press: Blower button on main control to activate system.

1) ON/OFF :

Press 1: The Blower starts at maximum Speed. LED: ON

Press 2: The blower stops. LED: OFF

2) TO CONTROL SPEED:

Press 1 and hold: Speed goes up or down, LED: ON when pressing. Release pressure at the desired speed.

3) TO CONTROL PULSATION:

Press 1: Slow Pulsation Cycle, LED: ON.

Press 2: Quick Pulsation Cycle, LED: Flashes.

Press 3: Pulsation Cycle OFF, LED: OFF.



TOPSIDE PANEL DISPLAY MESSAGES

OHH/HTR TEMP LMT/OH/HL (solid)

Overheat – Spa has shut down. One of the sensors has detected 48°C (119°F) at the heater.

DO NOT ENTER WATER! Remove cover and allow water to cool. Reset system by pressing any topside control panel pad. If system does not reset, shut off power and call your dealer.

POSSIBLE CAUSES OF OVERHEATING

- filter cycle too long or overlapping (pump running for extended periods of time)
- isolation/gate valves partially closed
- extremely hot weather/high ambient temperatures
- defective sensor wire

OHS/SPA TEMP LMT/OH/HL (flashing)

Overheat – Spa has shut down. One of the sensors has detected that the spa water is 44.5°C (112°F).

DO NOT ENTER WATER! Remove cover and allow water to cool. At 42°C (107°F) the system should automatically reset. If system does not reset, shut off power and call your dealer.

POSSIBLE CAUSES OF OVERHEATING

- filter cycle too long or overlapping (pump running for extended periods of time)
- isolation/gate valves partially closed
- extremely hot weather/high ambient temperatures
- defective sensor wire

ICE/FREEZE COND

Potential freeze condition detected. Pumps and blower will automatically activate when temperature drops to 4°C (39°F) regardless of operation mode.

Prr

Indicates high-limit or water temperature sensor is non-functional.

SnA/SENSOR A SERVICE RQD

Spa has shut down – sensor plugged into Sensor 'A' port not working.

SnB/SENSOR B SERVICE RQD

Spa has shut down – sensor plugged into Sensor 'B' port not working.

SnS/SENSOR SYNC

Sensors are out of balance – If topside display alternates between temperature and SNS, then occurrence may be temporary and will correct itself. The spa shuts down completely when the SNS message is flashing on the display.

HFL/HTR FLOW LOW

A substantial difference in temperature between the sensors has been detected – this could indicate a flow problem. Check water level in spa and add if necessary. If water level is okay, make sure that pumps are primed and all gate valves are fully opened.

LF/LOW FLOW

Persistent low flow problem – displays on the fifth occurrence of an HFL message within a 24 hour period. Heater circuit is deactivated but other spa functions continue to operate normally. Check water level in spa and add if necessary. If water level is okay, make sure that pumps are primed and all gate valves are fully opened. Press any topside panel pad to reset.

TOPSIDE PANEL DISPLAY MESSAGES CONTINUED

dr / HEATER MAY BE DRY-WILL RETEST SHORTLY

Inadequate water detected in heater chamber - Check water level in spa and add if necessary. If water level is okay, make sure that pumps are primed and all gate valves are fully opened. Press any topside panel pad to reset.

dry / HEATER DRY SERVICE REQ

Inadequate water detected in heater chamber – displays on third occurrence of a “dr” message within a 24 hour period. The spa shuts down completely when the DRY message is flashing on the display. Check water level in spa and add if necessary. If water level is okay, make sure that pumps are primed and all gate valves are fully opened. Press any topside panel pad to reset.

RUN PMPS PURG AIR

Priming mode – occurs when spa is first powered up, or when power has been restored after a power interruption. Allows for safe priming of the pumps. **See section HydroPool Serenity Control Systems for complete details.**

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Temperature unknown – after the pump has been operating for 2 minutes, the current water temperature will be displayed.

Temperature not current while in Economy or Sleep mode – In either of these modes, the pump may be off for hours in between filter cycles. To view the current spa water temperature, either switch to Standard mode or turn on the pump for at least 2 minutes.

HOLD

Stops the control system from operating automatically to allow filter cartridge removal.

READY

System is operating in READY mode. **See section HydroPool Serenity Control Systems for complete details.**

REST

System is operating in REST mode. **See section HydroPool Serenity Control Systems for complete details.**

COOL

If spa water temperature is more than 7°C (20°F) cooler than the set temperature, the system will automatically activate the heater to provide freeze protection. This is a normal function; no corrective action is necessary.

JET AND FEATURE OPERATION



JET WATER FLOW ADJUSTMENT

Your HydroPool hot tub features adjustable water flow on specific hydrotherapy jets. To reduce the flow: grasp the outer flange of the jet, and turn clockwise approximately a 1/4 turn. When it hits the stop, the jet is considered closed, and flow will be restricted. To increase the flow: from the closed position, turn the jet counterclockwise approximately 1/4 turn. When it hits the stop, the jet is open, and there is maximum jet flow. Do not attempt to turn the jet past the stop, as this will unclip the jet internal from the socket. All HydroPool hot tubs are shipped from the factory with the jets in the open position.

JET AIR FLOW ADJUSTMENT

Your HydroPool hot tub features adjustable airflow on specific hydrotherapy jets. To reduce the flow: turn the handle on the air control clockwise. When it hits the stop, the air is closed, and airflow will be restricted. To increase the flow: turn the handle on the air control counter-clockwise. When it hits the stop, the air control is fully opened. For maximum operating efficiency, the air controls must remain closed when your hot tub is not in use.

INTERCHANGING JET INSERTS

A great feature for custom tailoring the jets in your HydroPool hot tub to suit your personal hydrotherapy needs. Jets of like size and dimension may be interchanged with each other, for example, if you wished to swap a Poly Storm Directional jet for a Poly Storm Twin Roto jet, or a Mini Storm Twin Roto jet for a Mini Storm Directional jet.



CLEANING STAINLESS STEEL JETS & CONTROLS:

Use a Cleaner such as Brasso or Stainless Steel Cleaner to bring back the lustre to your Stainless Steel parts weekly. This **must be done** otherwise the stainless steel will discolor and possibly rust due chemical exposure.

JET INSERT REMOVAL & REPLACEMENT

POLY/MINI STORM DIRECTIONAL & TWIN ROTO POWER TWIN ROTO

TO REMOVE:

- Turn the jet counter-clockwise to unclip & pull out of socket.

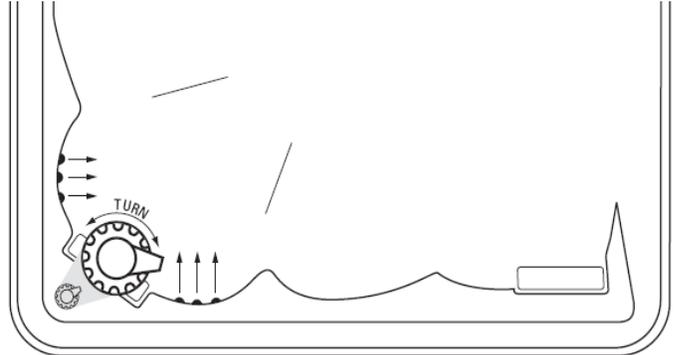
TO RE-INSTALL:

- Push the jet into the socket until it snaps into place, ensuring the square pin on the back of the jet lines-up with the groove in the socket flange.



DIVERTER VALVE

When your HYDROPOOL hot tub is equipped with a diverter valve, it allows you to direct the flow of the water so that it increases the power of the jets on the **CAPTAINS CHAIR** or on the **LOUNGER**, or a combination of the two. Simply turn the valve left or right.



WATERFALL CONTROL OPTIONAL

If your hot tub was ordered with the optional waterfall feature, then you will have a waterfall flow control valve. The waterfall feature was designed to provide a gentle cascade of water into the bathing area of the spa. Simply turn the top of the control clockwise for less water flow, and counterclockwise for more water flow.



AUDIO AND MP3 DOCKING STATION

AUDIO AND MP3 DOCKING STATION DOCKING YOUR AUDIO MP3

The Docking Station is compatible with all alternate audio sources such as MP3 players.

To install any audio source:

- 1 Locate and open the Docking Station door by gently pulling upward on the handle.
- 2 Remove the connector cover prior to plugging in your audio source. Always keep the cover on when the docking station is not in use.
- 3 Center the device over the Docking Station Adaptor and connect.
- 4 For stand alone unit that do not have a stereo head unit, make sure to turn on the switch located inside to power the amplifier before you begin.
- 5 Close the Docking Station door once you have begun using your device.



MP3 Player placement in pop out tray (MP3 player not included)

HOT TUB WATER BALANCE – GENERAL OVERVIEW

NOTABLE POINTS

- The reliability and longevity of your hot tub support equipment are directly related to how well water quality is maintained!
- The small volume of water in your hot tub is easily affected by the introduction of oils, lotions, perspiration and chemicals. It is imperative that you give your hot tub regular attention to maintain clean, safe and balanced water to prevent premature damage and/or failure (corrosion/calcification) to the support equipment. Maintaining proper hot tub water balance and sanitizer levels is extremely important. Neglected hot water will allow bacteria to quickly spread.
- The mineral content of hot tub water increases due to water evaporation, sanitizers and other chemicals. If the mineral concentration, particularly calcium, becomes too high, the minerals will literally “drop” or precipitate out of the water and deposit on the hot tub walls, plumbing, jets, in the filter and on the heater element.
- It is very important that pH be checked frequently and maintained in the recommended range as indicated in the chart **WATER BALANCE SUMMARY FOR YOUR HOT TUB**
- It is also very important that Total Alkalinity (the ability of the water to resist a change in pH) be maintained in the recommended range as indicated in the chart **WATER BALANCE SUMMARY FOR YOUR HOT TUB**
- Although there may be two identical hot tub models right next door to each other, the maintenance requirements will be different, dependant on such factors as:
 - bather load
 - frequency of use/quantity of bathers
 - different body chemistry
 - sun vs. shade
 - temperature

For these reasons, it is very important to develop proper hot tub water maintenance habits and follow your HydroPool retailer's recommended water maintenance procedures.



Heater and other component failure due to improperly maintained pH or Total Alkalinity is not covered under warranty.



WARNING

CHEMICAL HANDLING SAFETY HINTS

- **Never pre-mix chemicals with each other prior to adding to hot tub water.**
- **Add only one chemical to the water at a time.**
- **Always add chemicals to water and not vice-versa.**
- **Chemicals may be corrosive, so handle with care and store in a cool dark place.**
- **Never smoke near chemicals as most are flammable**
- **Ensure any spilled chemicals are carefully cleaned up immediately.**
- **Always have the POISON CONTROL telephone number handy in the event of an emergency.**
- **Keep chemicals out of children's reach**
- **Wear safety glasses and gloves when handling chemicals.**

INITIAL WATER FILL & BALANCE

1 Make sure the hot tub water is circulating and above 20°C (68°F)

2 Add a sequesterant (stain and scale controller). Allow water to circulate for an hour before adding anything else to the hot tub water.

3 Add a Shock / oxidizing agent .

4 Add sanitizing tablets (Bromine or Chlorine) to the dispenser: **Built in dispenser:** if your HydroPool hot tub was ordered with the optional built in bromine/chlorine dispenser, (located under the basket of the cartridge filter housing), **refer to section CARTRIDGE FILTER for details on removing and re-installing the lid.** Once the filter lid is removed, you'll notice a clear 2.5 cm (1 in.) tube extending from the bottom of the basket. Expose the large Refill hole at the end of the tube and add 5 or 6 tablets. Do not overfill dispenser as performance will be affected. Turn to expose the most number of smaller holes and allow water to circulate for 3 to 4 hours before testing level. Adjust to lesser number of holes as necessary to maintain a level of 2-4 PPM Sanitizer.

Floating dispenser: As above, add 6 or 7 tablets, adjust initially to '5', allow water to circulate for 3 to 4 hours, then test. The tablets will dissolve slowly over a 10-14 day period, depending on dial setting, and use of the hot tub.

5) Test pH and Total Alkalinity and adjust accordingly.



GLOSSARY OF COMMON WATER MAINTENANCE TERMS

- 1 **CHLORINE** – in granular, liquid or puck/tablet form, is an oxidant and biocidal agent. It is very effective and fast acting. Recommended chlorine residual level is 3.0 to 5.0 ppm.
- 2 **CHLORAMINES** – a compound formed when chlorine combines with nitrogen or ammonia present in the water. When allowed to go unchecked, it causes eye and skin irritation and is indicated by a strong chlorine odor.
- 3 **ONE-PART BROMINE** – also available in puck/tablet form, is another type of oxidant/biocidal agent, and is introduced into the hot tub water via a brominator. Recommended bromine residual level is 3.0 to 5.0 ppm
- 4 **TWO-PART BROMINE** – composed of a liquid or powder component introduced manually into the water on a weekly basis, and a granular component that is added daily or as the hot tub is used.
- 5 **BROMAMINES** – are formed when bromine destroys nitrogen-bearing organic matter. Unlike chloramines, bromamines don't cause eye irritation, however, when allowed to go unchecked, will cause an objectionable odour.
- 6 **SHOCK** – the practice of adding an oxidizing agent to hot tub water to destroy ammonia, nitrogenous and organic contaminants (chloramines and bromamines)
- 7 **pH** – a logarithmic value expressing the relative acidity or basicity of a substance (such as hot tub water) as indicated by the hydrogen ion concentration. pH is expressed as a number on a scale of 0 to 14, where 0 is most acidic, 1 to 7 being acidic, 7 considered neutral, 7 to 14 being basic, and 14 being most basic. The ideal range for hot tub water is 7.4 to 7.6 ppm
- 8 **pH INCREASER** – raises the pH level of the water.
pH DECREASER – lowers the pH level of the water.
- 10 **TOTAL ALKALINITY (TA)** – the amount of carbonate, bicarbonate and hydroxide compounds present in the water that determines the ability or capacity of the water to resist change in pH. Also known as the 'buffering' capacity.
- 11 **ALKALINITY BOOSTER** – raises the alkalinity.
- 12 **CALCIUM HARDNESS** – the calcium portion of the total alkalinity which represents 70 to 75% of total hardness. Calcium concentrations determine whether water is 'soft' - too little calcium, or 'hard' -too much calcium.
- 13 **CALCIUM BOOSTER** – increases the calcium level.
- 14 **TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS (TDS)** – a measure of the total amount of dissolved matter in the water (calcium, carbonates, bicarbonates, magnesium, metallic compounds, etc.)
- 15 **SEQUESTERANTS (STAIN AND SCALE CONTROLLERS)** – keeps dissolved metals and minerals in the water from attacking the hot tub shell and support equipment components.
- 16 **DEFOAMER** – removes foam build-up from the water surface. At best, this is a temporary remedy, as excessive foam is merely a symptom of improper water balance (typically high organic residue and/or high pH).
- 17 **CARTRIDGE FILTER CLEANER** – degreases and cleans cartridge filters.
- 18 **OZONATOR** – generates Ozone (a gaseous molecule composed of 3 atoms of oxygen) and is injected into the hot tub water for the oxidation of water contaminants.
- 19 **TEST KIT** – used to monitor specific chemical residual or demands in the water. May be in the form of litmus strips or liquid drops.
- 20 **PPM** – abbreviation for 'parts per million', the unit of measurement used in chemical testing which indicates the parts by weight in relation to one million parts by weight of water. Essentially identical to the term mg/L - milligrams per liter.

WATER BALANCE SUMMARY FOR YOUR HOT TUB*

SANITIZER (ppm)	MIN	IDEAL	MAX
Chlorine	1.0	3.0 - 5.0	5.0
Bromine	2.0	6.0 - 10.0	10.0
CHEMICAL			
PH	7.2	7.4 - 7.6	7.8
Total Alkalinity (TA)	80	80 - 120	180
Total Dissolved Solids (TDS)	300	1000 -2000	3000
Calcium Hardness	150	200 -400	500 -1000

*National Spa & Pool Institute recommended levels for residential spas/hot tubs

WATER BALANCE TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Causes	Solutions
Cloudy Water	microscopic particles too small to filter out.	Test and adjust all water balance elements and add flocculent* to cause the particles to combine together so they can be filtered out.
high Total Alkalinity high pH levels high Calcium Hardness		Test these water balance elements and adjust to recommended parameters.
Scale (White/Grayish Deposit)	high Calcium Hardness	Test calcium hardness level and treat with sequestering agent* or perform partial drain/refill.
Skin Eye Irritation	improper pH and/or Total Alkalinity levels	Test water balance and make the appropriate
Excessive Foam	buildup of body oils or cosmetics	If no water line is present you can try using defoamer* to break up the contaminants and then a clarifier* to help filter them away. If a water line is present the spa may need to be drained and cleaned. Either way, the filter should be thoroughly cleaned by soaking over night in bleach. An oil absorbing sponge can help in preventing this in the future. Prevent by running an extra rinse cycle on washing machine or re-rinse well by hand.
	Laundry detergent residual in swimwear	Some organic matter is prone to causing foamy water as it breaks down in the filter (maple leaves especially). Generally using defoamer* to break up the contaminants, then a clarifier*
	excess organic contaminants	To help filter them away followed by thoroughly cleaning your filter will clear up the problem. It may however be necessary to drain and refill your spa if the foaming is quite excessive.
	low Calcium Hardness	Test calcium hardness and if necessary increase with calciumchloride*
Corrosion/Etching	low Calcium Hardness and/or low Total Alkalinity	Test calcium hardness and if necessary increase with calcium chloride*
Discoloured Water (Clear v. turbid water)	presence of metals in water (iron, copper, etc)	Treat with chelating* or sequestering agent*
Unstable pH	low Total Alkalinity levels	Test total alkalinity levels and if necessary increase with sodium bicarbonate*
pH resistant to changing	high Total Alkalinity levels	Test total alkalinity levels and if necessary decrease with sodium bisulfate* or muriatic acid*
		* contact your local Hydروpool retailer for specific product recommendation

ROUTINE HOT TUB MAINTENANCE



REVIEW CHEMICAL HANDLING SAFETY HINTS

DAILY

- 1 Test water, and if necessary, add shock.
- 2 Ensure proper water level is maintained.

WEEKLY

- 1 Test pH and Alkalinity. Adjust accordingly
- 2 Top-up chemical dispenser
- 3 Add sequesterant (**stain and scale controller**)
- 4 Remove and spray cartridge filter with garden hose and re-install (**see section CARTRIDGE FILTER**)
- 5 Remove and clean out skimmer basket (**see section CLEANING THE SKIMMER BASKET**)
- 6 Add Shock / oxidizing agent
- 7 Inspect union connections for o-ring and gasket leaks - Tighten if loose.
- 8 Clean stainless steel controls as indicated on page 21.

MONTHLY

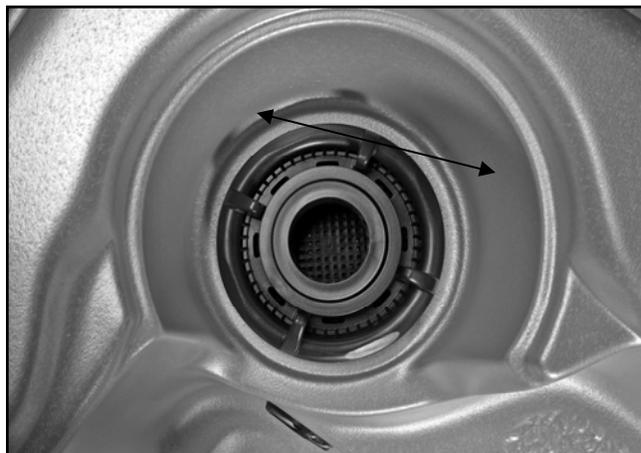
- 1 Soak your filter cartridge in a filter cartridge cleaning solution. Rinse thoroughly and, if possible, allow to dry before re-installing. HydroPool recommends purchasing a second filter so that while the first is cleaning, the other is clean and ready to install

QUARTERLY

Drain hot tub at least once per quarter and clean the acrylic shell surface with a non-abrasive cleaner designed specifically for acrylic surfaces. **See sections CHANGING THE HOT TUB WATER and DRAINING YOUR HOT TUB**

CLEANING THE SKIMMER BASKET

- 1 Activate the **HOLD/STANDBY** mode
- 2 Remove the skimmer basket by rotating the top flange and lift up.
- 3 Remove debris from basket. (**Note: Avoid hitting the basket against objects to knock debris loose as this may damage the unit**)
- 4 Reinsert basket
- 5 Take the system out of **HOLD/STANDBY** mode, and as the pump begins to operate, monitor water flow over the weir door to assure that it is free floating



CARTRIDGE FILTER

The cartridge should be cleaned every two to four weeks, depending on the amount of use. Signs that the filter requires cleaning include:

- **Reduced jet power**
- **Hazy gray water**
- **Rattling noise in the pump or filter**
- **Heater not working**

REMOVAL

- 1 Activate the **HOLD/STANDBY** mode.
- 2 Remove the filter cover and place to the side.
- 3 Rotate the locking flange counter clockwise to disengage.
- 4 Pull the filter lid upwards, and lift the cartridge element straight up and out of filter housing.

CLEANING

- 5 With a garden hose and spray nozzle, hose off the cartridge element, ensuring to carefully separate every pleat.
- 6 To remove collected lotions, body oils, etc. soak the cartridge in warm water and a filter cleaning/emulsifying compound (**available at your HYDROPOOL retailer**).
- 7 A cleaning cylinder may be purchased from your HYDROPOOL Hot tub Retailer.
- 8 Rinse thoroughly and dry before replacing.
- 9 Hydropool recommends purchasing a spare filter cartridge so that you always have a clean substitute ready to rotate.
- 10 After the element has dried - if necessary, lightly brush between pleats with a fine paint-brush to remove remaining dirt particles.



Do not use a wire brush or other device to clean cartridge element.
Do not put in dishwasher or washing machine.

RE-INSTALLATION

- 11 Place the cartridge filter back into the filter housing.
- 12 Rotate the flange clockwise until it locks in place.

CHANGING THE HOT TUB WATER

A hot tub should be drained every 8-12 weeks, depending on size and amount of use. If your hot tub is used daily or by a large number of bathers, the water should be drained more often. One method to determine the approximate length of time between water changes is to divide the water volume (in liters) of your hot tub by 13.5 and then divide by the average number of bathers each day.

Formula (_____ ÷ 13.5) ÷ (_____) = (_____)

Volume
of water
in liters

Average
daily
bathers

Days
between
water
changes

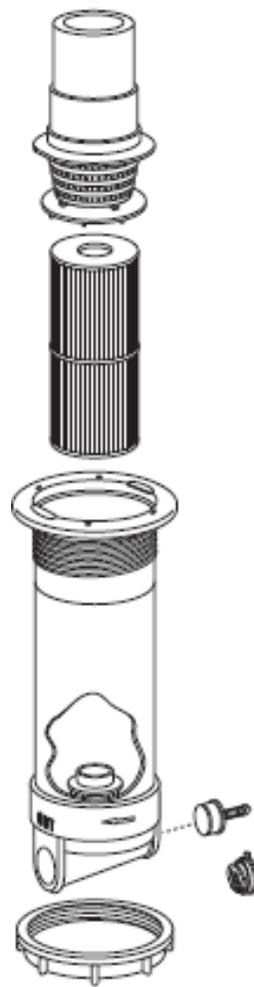
EXAMPLE:

1000 liters divided by 13.5 divided by 2 = 37 days.

The hot tub water must be changed when the amount of dissolved solids becomes excessive, and is usually indicated by "gray" or dull looking water.

WATER SOFTENERS

Never fill a hot tub with water from a water softener, as it could adversely effect the water chemistry, making it difficult to maintain proper water balance. If you live in an area with hard or soft water, give careful attention to your Calcium Hardness level. Topping Up with soft water is acceptable.



EACH TIME BEFORE FILLING THE SPA

- 1 Check to be sure that the shut off valve is closed (turn handle clockwise until it stops)
- 2 Safety cap is securely in place.
- 3 If the drain valve is facing a wall, leave enough space between the valve and wall (6" minimum) in order to have enough space to connect a garden hose.

TO DRAIN THE SPA

1 Turn Power Off

Turn the power off at the spa consoles and deactivate disconnect switches at the GFCI plug or load center.

2 Locate Spa Drain Valve

The spa drain valve is located on the right side of the cabinet.

3 Remove Drain Valve Safety Cap

Remove the safety drain cap and store for use when refilling your spa. Attach a standard garden hose to the drain valve.

4 Attach Hose & Drain

With the garden hose attached rotate the end of the drain counterclockwise until it stops turning. Pull the drain towards you and it will begin to drain. To stop draining the tub simply reverse the process by pushing the drain in and rotating it clockwise until it will not turn anymore. Make sure you do not force the drain in so that it is properly aligned.



CLEANING THE ACRYLIC SURFACE

The acrylic surface can be cleaned and polished using a soft cloth and acrylic cleaner, available at your HydroPool Retailer.



- **Important: Do not use detergents - the remaining residues will adversely affect water chemistry, making it difficult to maintain proper water balance**
- **Do Not use abrasive cleaners - damage to the acrylic surface will occur.**

SAFETY HARD COVER

When a hot tub is uncovered, over 90% of heat is lost from the water surface. This evaporation also affects the chemical balance and could create humidity problems indoors. HYDROPOOL Safety Hard Covers are engineered for maximum thermal efficiency and appearance. They are hinged in the middle for easier handling, and the zip fastener allows the tapered foam inserts to be changed if damaged. The skirt of the safety hard cover overlaps the lip of the hot tub for a finished fit. The handles are placed so that even one person can easily carry a large cover. The locks, with one part fastened to the deck or skirt, prevent small children or animals from entering the hot tub. Do not drag the safety hard cover across the hot tub or decking. Fold the cover first, then lift by the handles. Standing on the hardcover could cause the tapered foam inserts to crack, which will lead to water absorption.

NEVER LEAN OR STAND ON YOUR HARDCOVER.

The cover should be cleaned at least twice a year with a vinyl moisturizer and protector.



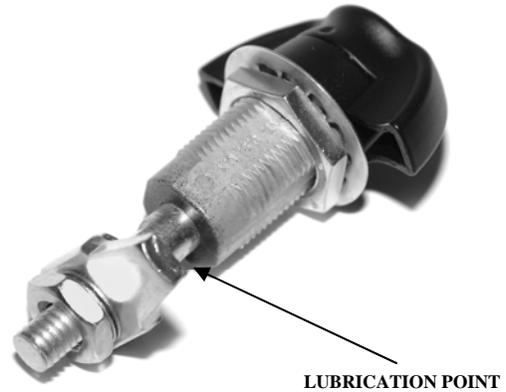
CABINET WING-LOCKS

The high quality wing-locks provided on your HydroPool Hot Tub cabinet not only firmly secure the equipment access panel, they also serve as convenient handles for removal and replacement. In order to maintain optimum performance and extended life, HydroPool recommends lubricating twice annually with a silicone based lubricant.

RECOMMENDED PRODUCT: Super-Lube silicone based lubricant (or equivalent) available at major retailers.



CAUTION: Do not use a petroleum based lubricant, as this will cause premature deterioration of the lock seal.



PROTECTING YOUR CABINET WOOD FINISH

HYDROPOOL hot tub cabinets are made from Western cedar and are factory stained. Once stained, cedar weathers well, and with proper care will maintain its beauty for many years. In order to maintain the translucent finish and to enhance the wood grain beauty staining must be performed on a regular basis.

These protective finishes stabilize the wood grain and build a durable, breathable water-repellent barrier between the wood surface and the elements. These products are available from your local building supply center..

WINTERIZING YOUR HYDROPOOL HOT TUB

In the event that you do not wish to use your hot tub year-round, it is very important that you properly winterize to protect against damage from freezing. Your HYDROPOOL retailer can perform this service for a nominal fee. If you choose to winterize your hot tub yourself, please follow the directions outlined below:

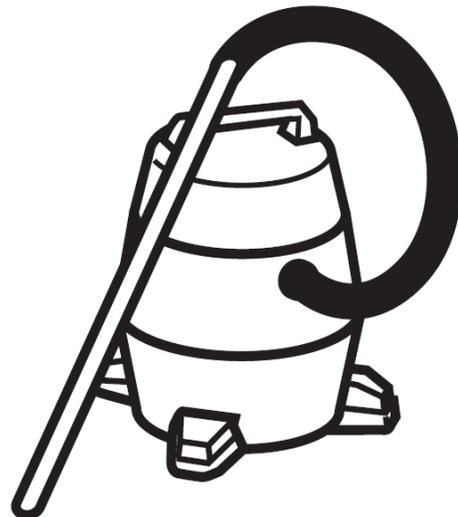
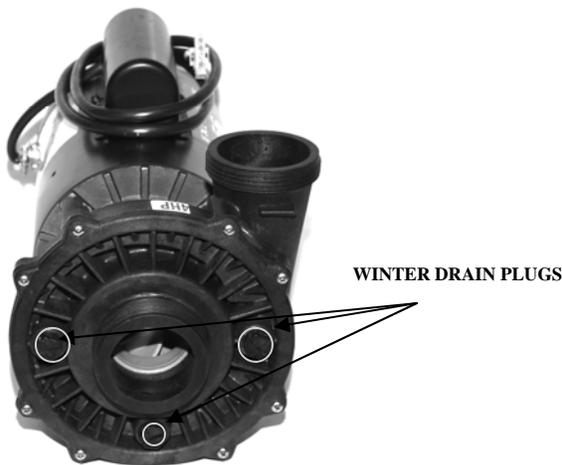
- Drain the hot tub entirely see section - **DRAINING YOUR HOT TUB**
- Remove and clean the cartridge filter element see section - **CARTRIDGE FILTER**
- Using a wet/dry utility vacuum, remove remaining water from the jet openings, filter cartridge housing, and footwell.
- Either pour or use a turkey-baster where necessary to add potable biodegradable RV antifreeze to areas such as pump wet end, jet channels, filter housing, blower channels. **DO NOT USE AUTOMOTIVE ANTIFREEZE.**

- **Important:** mixing potable biodegradable RV antifreeze with water significantly reduces its ability to protect against freezing. Therefore, it is very important ALL water is removed from the hot tub plumbing before adding.
- Turn pump on for only a few seconds to circulate the anti-freeze.
- Unthread and disconnect all unions in the support equipment area. Remove lowest winter drain plug on pump face plate. Repeat for all pumps, where applicable.

- Cover exposed plumbing connections with plastic bags and duct tape.
- Where practical, disconnect hot tub support equipment and store in a dry heated area.
- Install the safety hardcover, and cover the entire hot tub with a tarp to prevent premature weathering of the cabinet and the safety hard cover.
- Remove snow build up regularly to prevent damage to the safety hard cover.
- It is assumed that your HYDROPOOL hot tub has been properly installed on a reinforced concrete pad to eliminate lifting of the hot tub due to hydrostatic ground water pressure.



If you are not 100% confident that your hot tub is properly winterized, please consult your authorized HYDROPOOL Hot Tub Retailer. Caution recommends that an authorized HydroPool Retailer winterize your hot tub in the initial year. Damage as a result of freezing is not covered by the warranty.



GENERAL TROUBLESHOOTING

ELECTRICAL / MECHANICAL

SYMPTOM	POSSIBLE REASON(S)	ACTION
No Power	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Breaker off at main panel or fuse out - Improper wiring - Fuse blown in control 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Verify that breaker and/or GFCI are on - If there is still no power, contact your HydroPool retailer or a qualified electrician
G.F.C.I. Trip	G.F.C.I. tripped	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - As above-contact qualified electrician or your HydroPool retailer
No Circulation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Short or ground in system - Faulty G.F.C.I 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - See PUMP PRIMING/RELEASE AN AIR LOCK - Open gate valves - Top up water to proper level - See CLEANING SKIMMER BASKET
Jet Surge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pump is not primed (air lock) - Gate valves are closed - Water level is too low - Skimmer obstructed or closed - Water level too low - Blockage in plumbing lines - Suction gate valve partially closed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add water to correct level <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Check gate valves and/or skimmer basket - Pull gate valve handle "up" all the way
No Heat or Erratic Heat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cartridge filter requires cleaning - Blockage in plumbing line - Suction / Return valve partially closed - Low water level - Faulty sensor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Clean & reinstall - Contact your HydroPool retailer - Ensure valves are open - Top up water level - Contact your HydroPool retailer
Noisy Motor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Damaged or worn bearings - Low voltage - Low water level - Frozen pump 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Contact your HydroPool retailer or a qualified electrician - Contact qualified electrician - Top up water level - Thaw out
Digital Top Side No Longer Displays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Improper connection - Electrical brown-out 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Contact your HydroPool retailer - Reset GFCI OFF/ON
Digital Temperature Display is Erratic or Flashing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Water temperature has exceeded set point 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decrease filter cycle and or add cold water. - If condition continues contact HydroPool retailer

GENERAL TROUBLESHOOTING CONTINUED

WHAT TO DO IN THE EVENT OF...

...POWER FLUCTUATIONS

The power supply into your home is, for the most part, fairly consistent. However, when local power demand is high, there is a tendency for the voltage entering your home to drop (sometimes significantly) or fluctuate. This condition is referred to as a 'brown-out'. Although safeguards have been built into the system to protect against this condition, supply voltage may drop low enough, if even for a second, to cause the system to display a 'ghost' message. Should this occur or if the display shows partial messages, try resetting the system by turning power to the hot tub off, waiting a few minutes, then turning power on again. If this does not reset the system, contact your local HydroPool retailer or service organization.

...POWER FAILURE OR SYSTEM FAULT DURING COLD WEATHER CONDITIONS

If your control system will not reset, (ie. GFCI trips) or if your pump will not circulate for any other reason, place a low wattage space heater under the cabinet in the equipment area. This will delay the risk of freezing while a service appointment is scheduled.



Always follow the manufacturers instructions when locating and placing a portable electric space heater into service. Ensure that safe clearance to combustible surfaces is maintained. Do not leave unattended.

NOTES: