

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 telephone in your building.
- Immediately call your gas supplier from a neighbor's telephone. 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.



This manual covers model numbers:				
United States	Canada			
PGC* 50-130-2NV or 2PV PGC* 34-150-2NV or 2PV PGC* 50-175-3NV or 3PV PGC* 50-199-3NV or 3PV	PC 130-34 2NV or 2PV PC 130-50 2NV or 2PV PC 150-34 2NV or 2PV PC 175-50 3NV or 3PV PC 199-50 3NV or 3PV PC 199-100-3NV or 3PV			

* Indicates warranty period

Note:

The manufacturer of this water heater recommends that it be professionally installed by trained and qualified service professionals.

Polaris® Commercial Gas Water Heater Installation Instructions and Use & Care Guide

To obtain technical, warranty or service assistance during or after the installation of this water heater, visit our website at:

http://www.americanwaterheater.com

call toll free 1-800-456-9805

When calling for assistance, please have the following information ready:

- 1. Model number
- 2. 7 Digit product number
- 3. Serial number
- 4. Date of installation
- 5. Place of Purchase

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INSTALLER:

Affix these instructions to or adjacent to the water heater.

OWNER:

Retain these instructions and warranty for future reference. Retain the original receipt as proof of purchase.

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Your safety and the safety of others are very important.

We have provided many important safety messages in this manual and on your appliance. Always read and obey all safety messages.



This is the safety alert symbol.

This symbol alerts you to potential hazards that can kill or hurt you and others.

All safety messages will follow the safety alert symbol and either the word "DANGER" or

"WARNING." These words mean:

A DANGER

AWARNING

You can be killed or seriously injured if you don't immediately follow instructions.

You can be killed or seriously injured if you don't follow instructions.

All safety messages will tell you what the potential hazard is, tell you how to reduce the chance of injury, and tell you what can happen if the instructions are not followed.

Important Instructions

- Do not use this appliance if any part has been under water. Immediately call a qualified service technician. Water heaters subjected to flood conditions or anytime the gas controls, main burner or ignition control have been submerged in water require replacement of the entire water heater.
- Hydrogen gas can be produced in a hot water system that has not been used for a long period of time (generally two weeks or more). Hydrogen gas is extremely flammable and can ignite when exposed to a spark or flame. To prevent the possibility of injury under these conditions, we recommend the hot water faucet be opened for several minutes at the kitchen sink before using any electrical appliance which is connected to the hot water system. If hydrogen is present, there will probably be an unusual sound such as air escaping through the faucet as water begins to flow. Do not smoke or have any open flame near the faucet at the time it is open.

The California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act requires the Governor of California to publish a list of substances known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or other reproductive harm, and requires businesses to warn of potential exposure to such substances.

Warning: This product contains a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or other reproductive harm.

This appliance can cause low-level exposure to some of the substances listed, including formaldehyde, carbon monoxide, and soot.

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INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

Consumer Information

OBSERVE ALL GOVERNING CODES AND ORDINANCES.

This water heater is design-certified by CSA International as a Category IV, direct vented water heater which takes its combustion air from the outside of the structure and exhausts all products of combustion to the outside of the structure.

This water heater must be installed according to all local and state codes or in the absence of local and state codes with the "National Fuel Gas Code", ANSI Z223.1(NFPA 54)- latest edition. Canadian installations must be performed in accordance with CAN/CGA-B149. This is available from the following:

CSA America, Inc. 8501 East Pleasant Valley Road Cleveland, OH 44131

National Fire Protection Agency 1 Batterymarch Park Quincy, MA 02169-7471

Canadian Standards Association 178 Rexdale Boulevard Toronto, ON M9W 1R3

Check the phone listings for the local authorities having jurisdiction over this installation.

Installer and Owner Responsibilities

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

Read all of the instructions thoroughly before attempting the installation or operation of this water heater.

Do not discard this manual. You or future users of this water heater will need it for future reference.

Service to the water heater should only be performed by a qualified service technician.

Examples of qualified service technicians include: those trained in the plumbing and heating industry, local gas utility personnel, or an authorized service person.

The manufacturer and seller of this water heater will not be liable for any damages, injuries, or deaths caused by failure to comply with the installation and operating instructions outlined in this manual.

If you lack the necessary skills required to properly install this water heater, or you have difficulty following the instructions, you should not proceed but have a qualified service technician perform the installation of this water heater.

Massachusetts code requires this water heater to be installed in accordance with Massachusetts Plumbing and Fuel Gas Code 248 CMR section 2.00 and 5.00.

A data plate identifying your water heater can be found on the front of the heater. When referring to your water heater, always have the information listed on the data plate readily available.

Retain your original receipt as proof of purchase.

Unpacking the Water Heater

Excessive Weight Hazard

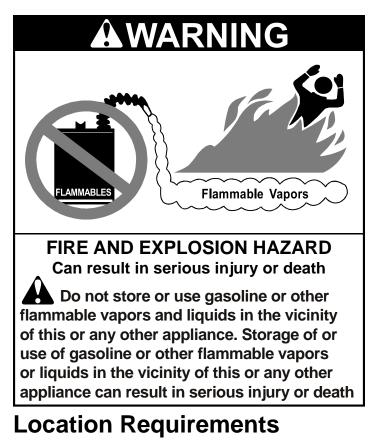
Use two or more people to move and install water heater unless proper handling equipment is utilized.

Failure to do so can result in back or other injury.

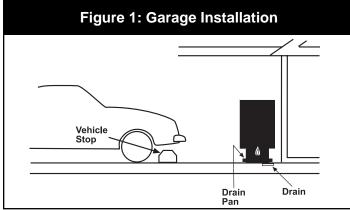
Removing Packaging Materials

Important: Do not remove any permanent instructions, labels, or the data plate from outside of the water heater or on the inside of panels.

- Remove exterior packaging and place installation components aside.
- Inspect all parts for damage prior to installation and start-up.
- Completely read all instructions before attempting to assemble and install this product.
- After installation, dispose of packaging material in the proper manner.



The water heater design has been tested by CSA International and complies with ANSI Z21.10.1, Section 2.35 Flammable Vapors Resistance. In garage installation avoid damage to your water heater by installing a vehicle stop as shown in figure below. Check state and local codes for requirements prior to installation.



This water heater is not certified for installation in mobile homes.

Note: In the State of California, the water heater must be braced, anchored, or strapped to avoid moving during an earthquake. Contact local utilities for code requirements in your area or call 1-800-456-9805 and request instructions.

Site Location

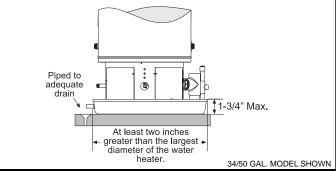
 Select a location near the center of the water piping system. The water heater must be installed indoors and in a vertical position on a level surface. DO NOT install in bathrooms, bedrooms, or any occupied room normally kept closed. Note: The water heater may be installed in a closet with a door off a bedroom or bathroom providing the units are installed and vented per the manufacturer's instructions.

- Consider the inlet and exhaust vent system piping when selecting the water heater location. The venting system must be able to run from the water heater to the termination with a minimal length and number of elbows. Input rates are reduced as vent system length increases. The venting system must comply with the requirements set forth in the venting section of this manual.
- Locate the water heater near the existing gas piping.
 If installing a new gas line, locate the water heater to minimize the pipe length and elbows.

Important: Air for combustion and ventilation must not come from a corrosive atmosphere. Any failure due to corrosive elements in the atmosphere is excluded from warranty coverage.

Note: The water heater must be installed according to all local and state codes or in absence of the local and state codes with the "National Fuel Gas Code", ANSI Z223.1 (NFPA 54)-latest edition. Canadian installations must be performed in accordance with CAN/CGA-B149.

Important: The water heater should be located in an area where leakage of the tank or connections will not result in damage to the area adjacent to the water heater or to lower floors of the structure. Due to the normal corrosive action of the water, the tank will eventually leak after an extended period of time. Also any external plumbing leak, including those from improper installation, may cause early failure of the water tank due to corrosion if not repaired. A gualified service technician should be contacted for repairs. A suitable metal drain pan should be installed under the water heater as shown below, to help protect the property from damage which may occur from condensate formation or leaks in the piping connections or tank. The pan must limit the water level to a maximum depth of 1-3/4" and be at least two inches wider than the heater and piped to an adequate drain. Locate the water heater near a suitable indoor drain. Outside drains are subject to freezing temperatures which can obstruct the drain line. The piping should be at least 3/4" ID and pitched for proper drainage. Under no circumstances will the manufacturer or seller of this water heater be held liable for any water damage which is caused by your failure to follow these instructions.



The water heater should be located in an area not subject to freezing temperatures. Water heaters located in unconditioned spaces (i.e., attics, basements, etc) may require insulation of the water piping and drain piping to protect against freezing. The drain and controls must be easily accessible for operation and service. Maintain proper clearances as specified on the data plate.

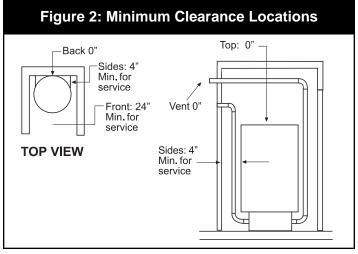
Clearances and Accessibility

Notice: Minimum clearances from combustible materials are stated on the data plate located on the front of the water heater.

• The water heater is certified for installation on a combustible floor.

Important: If installing over carpeting, the carpeting must be protected by a metal or wood panel beneath the water heater. The protective panel must extend beyond the full width and depth of the water heater by at least 3 inches (76.2mm) in any direction or if in a alcove or closet installation, the entire floor must be covered by the panel. The panel must be strong enough to carry the weight of the heater when full of water.

Figure 2 may be used as a reference guide to locate the specific clearance locations. A minimum of 24 inches of front clearance and 4 inches on each side should be provided for inspection and service.



CONDENSATE LINE

Important: Do not run the condensate drain in areas that are likely to freeze. Frozen condensate will block the drain line and result in property damage or water heater malfunction.

Condensate Trap Assembly

A condensate trap/drain stem assembly has been supplied with the water heater and is located behind the access door inside the base of the water heater. This assembly must be installed between the water heater and the exhaust outlet piping to ensure proper operation of the water heater. To install, remove the slip-joint nut, stainless steel washer, and O-ring from the trap assembly. Slip the nut, washer and O-ring (in that order) over the stainless exhaust tubing and slide them back near the base of the heater. Insert the trap assembly over the tubing (see figure 3A or 3B accordingly) and firmly hand-tighten (using a wrench will cause the O-ring to seal improperly) the nut to form a water-tight seal between the O-ring and the stainless exhaust tubing. When tightened, the nut to heater base clearance should be 3/4" (+/- 1/8"). On 100 gallon models the condensate trap assembly should be glued to the exhaust pipe (see figure 3C).

Note: The trap should be aligned so that the exhaust pipe is in a vertical position close to the surface of the water heater.

Figure 3A: 2" Condensation Trap Installation 130,000 & 150,000 BTU/Hr Models

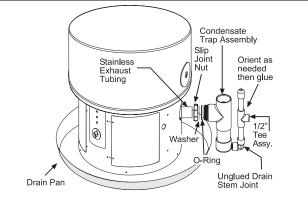


Figure 3B: 3" Condensation Trap Installation 130,000 - 199,000(50 gal.) BTU/Hr Models

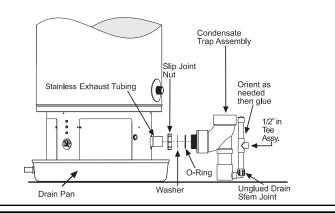


Figure 3C: 3" Condensation Trap Installation 100 Gallon Models

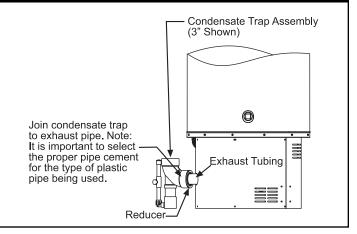
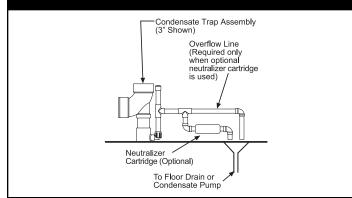


Figure 4: Condensate Drain



Condensate Drain Line

All parts of the condensate trap are glued except for the 1/2" CPVC drain stem joint at the elbow (see figure 3). This assembly can be turned with the outlet of the tee oriented as needed.

Once orientation direction is decided, remove the unglued joint from the elbow at the bottom and apply a suitable cement to joint. Re-insert the joint fully and quickly into the elbow making sure to orient it before the cement sets. Connect the remaining piping and run the condensate drain line to a suitable drain.

Important: Be sure the drain stem joint is inserted against the stop in the elbow. Failure to do so may result in improper water heater operation.

If required by local codes, install a condensate neutralizer cartridge on the drain line (see figure 4).

The condensate drain line must be routed to a suitable drain. If no floor drain is available or the drain is above the level of the condensate line, install a condensate pump that is resistant to the acidic condensate. These pumps are available from local distributors. If the pump is not resistant to acidic water, a condensate neutralizer must be used ahead of the pump.

When installing the drain line, note the following:

- Plastic pipe or tubing must be used to connect the condensate drain to a suitable drain or condensate pump. Do not use copper tubing, iron, or steel pipe for the condensate drain line.
- Condensate drain lines should be installed in conditioned areas only. Drain lines installed in areas that are subject to freezing temperatures should be wrapped with a nationally recognized/listed heat tape and/or approved insulation for freeze protection. Install per manufacturer's instructions.
- Do not common drain with the temperature and pressure relief valve or the condensate line from an air conditioner evaporator coil.
- Slope the condensate drain toward the inside floor drain or condensate pump.
- The condensate drain line and connection to the drain piping must comply with all local codes.
- Do not run the condensate line into the drain pan.

VENT PIPE SYSTEM

Carbon Monoxide Hazard

Follow all instructions to locate and install the vent pipe system.

Instructions can be found in this manual, in state or local codes (or the authority having jurisdiction), or in the absence of such, the "National Fuel Gas Code", ANSI Z223.1, NFPA 54, Latest Edition. Canadian installations must be performed in accordance with CAN/CGA-B149.

Failure to properly locate and install the vent pipe system can result in death or carbon monoxide poisoning.

Venting

This water heater has a direct vent system in which all air for combustion is taken from the outside atmosphere and all combustion products are discharged to the outdoors.

This water heater must be properly vented for removal of exhaust gases to the outside atmosphere. Correct installation of the vent pipe system is mandatory for the safe and efficient operation of this water heater and is an important factor in the life of the unit.

Vent pipe installation must be performed in accordance with state and local codes, or in the absence of such, the "National Fuel Gas Code", NFPA 54, ANSI Z223.1-latest edition. Canadian installations must be performed in accordance with CAN/CGA-B149.

When replacing an existing Polaris unit, it is recommended that the venting system be reviewed for compliance with the requirements contained in this installation manual. If the venting is not in compliance, it is recommended that the appropriate changes be made to bring it into compliance. If this is not practical, and the existing venting system complies with a prior Polaris installation manual the venting requirements as stated in the updated installation manual do not have to be met: however, vent length in excess of those referenced in the manual will result in reduced input. Note: in either case it is important that the inlet air filter supplied with this unit be installed in the inlet combustion air piping. (Follow installation instructions supplied with the filter kit). Note: if the vent system is not in compliance with the current or prior installation manuals, the manufacturer reserves the right to evaluate the installation prior to granting any warranty on service claims.

Important: Check to make sure the vent pipe is not blocked in any way.

Note: Do not common vent this water heater with any other appliance. Do not install in the same chase or chimney with a metal or high-temperature plastic from another gas or fuel burning appliance.

Vent Pipe Material

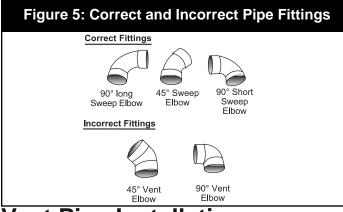
The following plastic materials may be used for both the combustion air inlet and exhaust outlet piping subject to state and local codes:

- Schedule 40 PVC or ABS
- Schedule 40 or 80 CPVC
- DWV Pipe is acceptable

Note: Use only solid (not foam core) piping.

Plastic pipe and fittings are available through most plumbing suppliers. Always check the marking on the pipe to make sure you are using the correct material.

Important: Do not use vent elbows in this vent pipe installation (see figure 5 below).



Vent Pipe Installation

The following guidelines should be followed when installing the air inlet and exhaust outlet piping:

- Venting should be as direct as possible with a minimum • number of pipe fittings.
- Vent diameter must not be reduced unless specifically noted in the installation instructions.
- All 2" horizontal vent piping must be sloped upward 1/4 inch per foot (3" Piping must slope upward at 1/8" per foot) so that condensate will run back to the heater and exit through the condensate trap.
- Support all horizontal pipe runs every four feet and all vertical pipe runs every six feet or according to local codes.
- Vents run through unconditioned spaces where below freezing temperatures are expected should be properly insulated to prevent freezing. For horizontal runs, wrap the vent pipe with nationally recognized/listed heat tape and/or approved insulation for freeze protection. Install per the manufacturer's instructions.
- An air intake filter is included with the unit and must be installed according to the installation instructions supplied with the filter.

The combustion air inlet and exhaust outlet piping and termination may be installed in one of the following type terminations:

- 1. Standard Horizontal (2 Pipe)
- 2. Alternate Horizontal (2 Pipe)
- 3. Vertical (2 Pipe)
- 4. Concentric Vent Through the Wall
- 5. Concentric Vent Through the Roof

All pipe, fittings, pipe cement, primers and procedures must conform to American National Standard Institute and American Society for Testing and Materials (ANSI/ASTM) standards in the United States. This water heater has been design certified by the Canadian Standards Association for use with the specified (CSA) listed plastic vent pipe.

All joints in the inlet and outlet piping must be properly cemented. Size and cut all piping before cementing.

- 1. Cut the pipe end square and remove all ragged edges and burrs. Make sure the inside of the pipe is clean and free of cuttings and loose dirt. Chamfer the end and apply primer to the fitting and pipe.
- 2. Using a suitable grade of pipe cement, apply a moderate, even coat inside the fitting. Apply a liberal amount of cement to the outside of the pipe to socket depth.

Note: It is important to select the proper pipe cement for the type of plastic pipe being used.

Assemble the parts quickly while the cement is 3. still wet. Twist the pipe 1/4 turn during insertion and hold for 30 seconds.

Vent Pipe Length

Size the exhaust outlet and combustion air inlet pipes as specified in Table 1. This table lists the maximum allowable length in feet of the exhaust outlet and combustion air inlet pipes as related to the number of required elbows and the termination. The specified maximum lengths are for the separate inlet and exhaust pipe systems and not the combined length of both systems. Minimum pipe length is 6 feet with one elbow per side.

- Determine termination type and pipe size. 1.
- Determine number of elbows in exhaust pipe. Do not 2. include the elbows in the termination or the condensate trap. Corresponding number indicates the maximum length of exhaust pipe.
- Determine number of elbows in inlet pipe. Do not 3. include the elbows in the termination. The corresponding number indicates the maximum length of inlet pipe.

Pipe Size	Table 1 Maximum Allowable Length in Feet of Exhaust and Air Inlet Pipe - For Schedule 40 CPVC, ABS, or PVC Pipe and Fittings							
(ln)	Numb	er of 90°	Elbows	(short o	or long s	weep or	nly)	Termination
(111)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	Option
*2	N/A	52	48	44	40	36	32	Std. Horizontal
*2	N/A	44	40	36	32	28	24	Alt. Horizontal
*2	52	48	44	40	36	32	28	Vertical
*2	N/A	52	48	44	40	36	32	Concentric
3	N/A	125	120	115	110	105	100	Std. Horizonta
3	N/A	115	110	105	100	95	90	Alt. Horizontal
3	130	120	115	110	105	100	95	Vertical
3	N/A	125	120	115	110	105	100	Concentric

- 2. The above maximum lengths are for the separate inlet and outlet pipe
- systems and not the combined length of both systems
- Maximum of 6 elbows may be used per pipe. Use only short or long sweep elbows. See figure 5, on page 7 for details.

4. Two 45° elbows are considered equivalent to one 90° elbow.

5. Minimum length is 6 feet per pipe with 1 elbow per side 6. 2 Inch pipe may be used with 130,000 & 150,000 BTU/Hr

input models only.

Vent Termination Locations

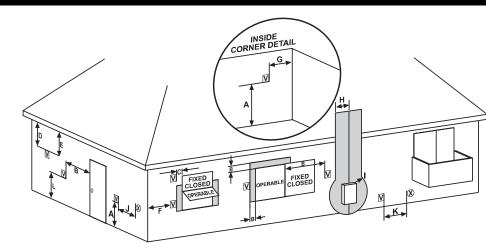
The air inlet and exhaust outlet must be installed with the following minimum clearances (see figure 6):

- Twelve inches above grade or maximum anticipated snow level.
- Twelve inches from any opening through which flue gases could enter the structure.
- Four feet horizontally and vertically from gas or electric meters, gas regulators, dryer vents, vent hoods, bathroom fan exhaust, attic fans and turbines.
- Two feet from an inside corner formed by two exterior walls.
- Two feet from porches, decks, overhangs and other obstructions.

In addition to maintaining the minimum clearances, the vent should terminate according to the following guidelines:

- Use only 2 inch pipe or a 2 inch concentric vent on the vent termination for 130,000 & 150,000 BTU/Hr models. For inputs of 175,000 BTU/Hr or more, use only 3 inch pipe or a 3 inch concentric vent. Do not expose any 3" X 2" reducers or bushings to outdoor ambient temperatures.
- 2. The air inlet and exhaust outlet must not terminate under a patio, deck or any covered area.
- 3. Do not terminate the vent near walkways or into alleys or other publicly accessible areas.
- 4. Do not terminate the vent in an area where children or animals could block pipes.
- 5. Do not locate the vent terminal too close to shrubs or bushes.
- 6. Caulk all cracks, seams and joints within 6 feet horizontally above and below the vent.
- 7. Combustion air inlet termination and exhaust air termination must be located in the same pressure zone.

Figure 6: Minimum Clearances for Inlet/Outlet and Concentric Vent



⊗Air Supply Inlet IV Vent Terminal □ Area Where Terminal Is Not Permitted

US Installations

- A. 12 in (30 cm) min. clearance above grade, veranda, porch, deck, balcony, or maximum anticipated snow level.
- **B.** 12 in (30 cm) min. clearance on top and side of window or door that may be opened. Do not install below a window or door that may be opened.
- C. Clearance to permanently closed window.**
- **D.** 12 in (30 cm) min vertical clearance to ventilated soffit located above the terminal within a horizontal distance of 2 ft (61 cm) from the center line of the terminal.
- E. 12 in (30 cm) min. clearance to unventilated soffit.
- F. Clearance to outside corner **
- **G.** 2 ft (61 cm) clearance to inside corner formed by two exterior walls.
- **H.** 4 ft (122 cm) clearance to each side of center line extending above meter/regulator assembly.
- I. 4 ft (122 cm) clearance to service regulator vent outlet.
- **J.** 12 in (30 cm) clearance to nonmechanical air supply inlet to building or the combustion air inlet to any other appliance.
- **K.** 3 ft (91 cm) above if within 10 ft (3 m) horizontally of mechanical air supply inlet.

Canadian Installations

- A. 12 in (30 cm) min. clearance above grade, veranda, porch, deck, balcony, or maximum anticipated snow level.
- **B.** 12 in (30 cm) min. clearance on top and side of window or door that may be opened. Do not install below a window or door that may be opened.
- C. Clearance to permanently closed window.**
- **D.** 12 in (30 cm) min vertical clearance to ventilated soffit located above the terminal within a horizontal distance of 2 ft (61 cm) from the center line of the terminal.
- E. 12 in (30 cm) min. clearance to unventilated soffit.
- F. Clearance to outside corner.**
- **G.** 2 ft (61 cm) clearance to inside corner formed by two exterior walls.
- **H.** 3 ft (91 cm) within a height 15 ft (4.57 m) above the meter/regulator assembly.
- I. 4 ft (122 cm) clearance to service regulator vent outlet.
- **J.** 12 in (30 cm) clearance to nonmechanical air supply inlet to building or the combustion air inlet to any other appliance.
- K. 6 ft (1.83 m) clearance to mechanical air supply inlet.

**Clearance in accordance with local installation codes and the requirements of the gas supplier.

INLET/OUTLET VENT TERMINATIONS (130,000 &150,000 BTU/HR) Standard Horizontal Termination

When 3 inch pipe is used between the water heater and the outside wall, reduce it to 2 inch pipe before penetrating the wall. A maximum of 18 inches of 2 inch pipe may be used between the 3 inch transition and the inside of the wall (see figure 7A).

The standard horizontal air inlet termination is a 2 inch pipe which terminates at the exterior wall and utilizes a coupling to prevent the pipe from being pushed back into the structure. The standard horizontal exhaust outlet termination is a 2 inch pipe which terminates 12 inches from the outside wall. The air inlet must be located with respect to the exhaust outlet as shown in figure 7A (bottom).

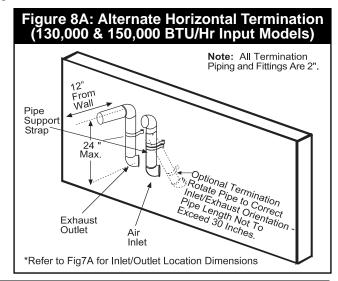
Install a drain tee assembly and trap in the inlet vent as close to the water heater as possible. This is to drain any water that may be in the combustion air pipe and prevent it from entering the blower. Connect the trap drain line to a suitable drain or downstream of the condensate trap of the water heater.

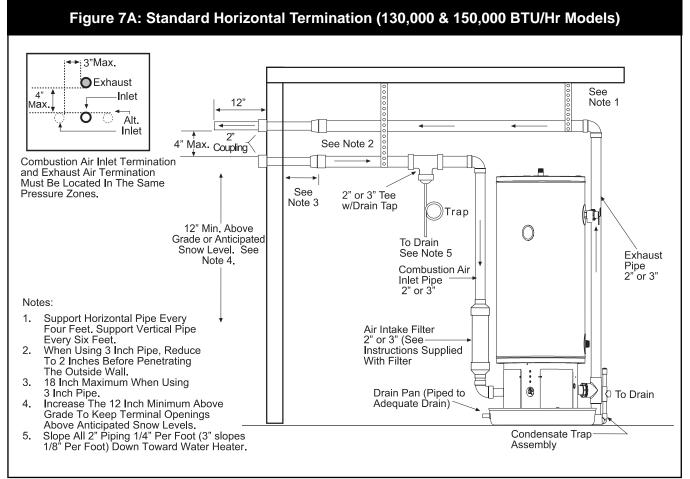
Note: See "Venting Additional Polaris® Units" on Page 10 for correct terminations if installing more than one Polaris® gas water heater.

Alternative Horizontal Termination

The combustion air and exhaust terminations may be raised up to 24 inches above the wall penetrations if required for anticipated snow levels (see figure 8A). The two elbows shown in figure 8A are considered part of the termination and should not be included when determining the maximum allowable vent pipe length.

Note: See "Venting Additional Polaris® Units" on Page 10 for correct terminations if installing more than one Polaris® gas water heater.



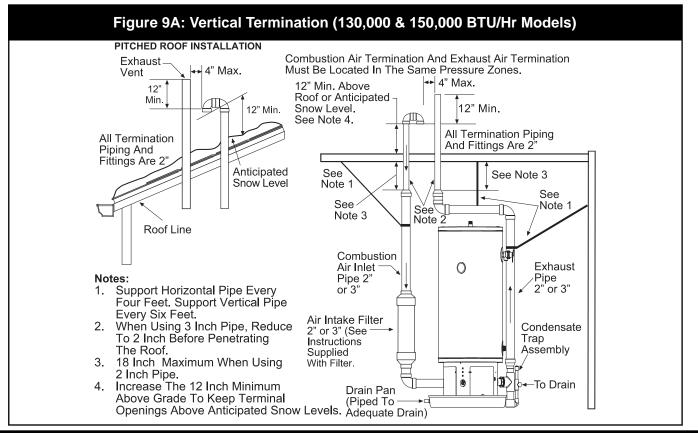


VERTICAL TERMINATIONS (130,000 & 150,000 BTU/HR)

When 3 inch pipe is used between the water heater and the roof, reduce it to 2 inch pipe before penetrating the roof. A maximum of 18 inches of 2 inch pipe may be used between the 3 inch transition and the inside of the roof.

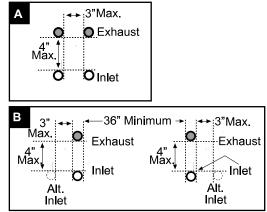
The vertical inlet air termination requires a return bend or two short or long sweep radius 90 elbows to keep the inlet downward and prevent entry of rain. These elbows are considered part of the termination and should not be included when calculating the maximum allowable vent pipe length. Refer to figure 9A for the proper location of the air inlet with respect to the exhaust outlet termination. The vertical exhaust outlet termination is a 2 inch pipe which terminates at least 12 inches above the inlet air termination. The air inlet and exhaust outlet terminations must be at least 12 inches above the roof line or anticipated snow levels. See figure 9A below.

Note: See "Venting Additional Polaris® Units" below if installing more than one Polaris® gas water heater.

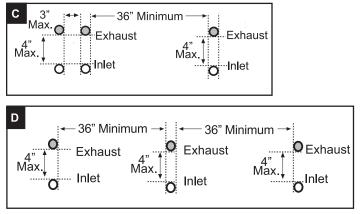


Venting Additional Polaris® Units (130,000 & 150,000 BTU/hr Models)

When using two Polaris® units, install vent terminations using either Method A or Method B below:



When using three or more Polaris® units, install vent terminations per Method C or Method D:



CONCENTRIC VENT TERMINATIONS (130,000 & 150,000 BTU/HR)

For new installations, install 2" Concentric vent kit model KGAVT0501CVT, part number 6910542. See Manufacturer's instructions for complete installation or call customer service at 1-800-456-9805 for assistance.

For planning purposes, see figures 10A-13A below for vent terminal specifications.

Note: For replacement installations, previously installed American Water Heater Company supplied concentric vent kits are acceptable for use on 130,000 BTU/Hr models <u>only.</u>

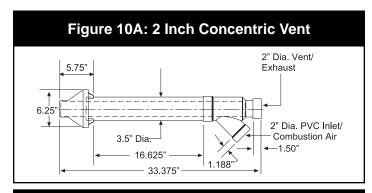


Figure 11A: Through the Wall Termination

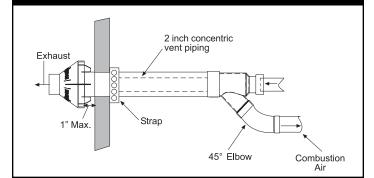
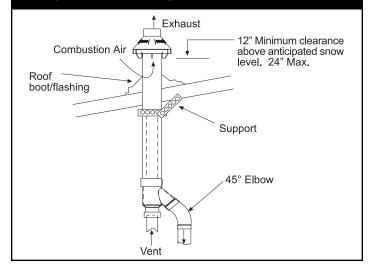
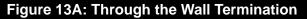
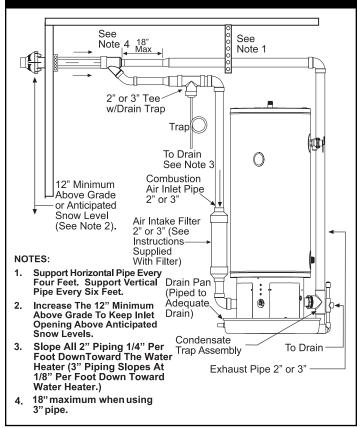


Figure 12A: Through the Roof Termination







Note: For concentric venting terminations (all models), see "Concentric Venting Multiple Water Heaters" on Page 14.

INLET/OUTLET VENT TERMINATIONS (175,000+ BTU/HR) Standard Horizontal Termination Alternative Horizontal Termination

The standard horizontal air inlet termination is a 3 inch pipe which terminates at the exterior wall and utilizes a coupling to prevent the pipe from being pushed back into the structure. The standard horizontal exhaust outlet termination is a 3 inch pipe which terminates 12 inches from the outside wall. The air inlet must be located with respect to the exhaust outlet as shown in figure 7B (bottom).

Install a 3 inch coupling at the outside wall on both the inlet and exhaust to prevent the terminations from being pushed inward.

Install a drain tee assembly and trap in the inlet vent as close to the water heater as possible. This is to drain any water that may be in the combustion air pipe and prevent it from entering the blower. Connect the trap drain line to a suitable drain or downstream of the condensate trap of the water heater.

Note: See "Venting Additional Polaris® Units" on Page 13 for correct terminations if installing more than one Polaris® gas water heater.

The combustion air and exhaust terminations may be raised up to 24 inches above the wall penetrations if required for anticipated snow levels (see figure 8B). The two elbows shown in figure 8B are considered part of the termination and should not be included when determining the maximum allowable vent pipe length.

Note: See "Venting Additional Polaris® Units" on Page 13 for correct terminations if installing more than one Polaris® gas water heater.

Figure 8B: Alternative Horizontal Termination (175,000+ BTU/Hr or greater input models)

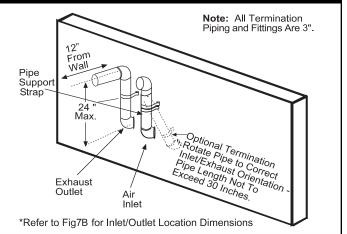


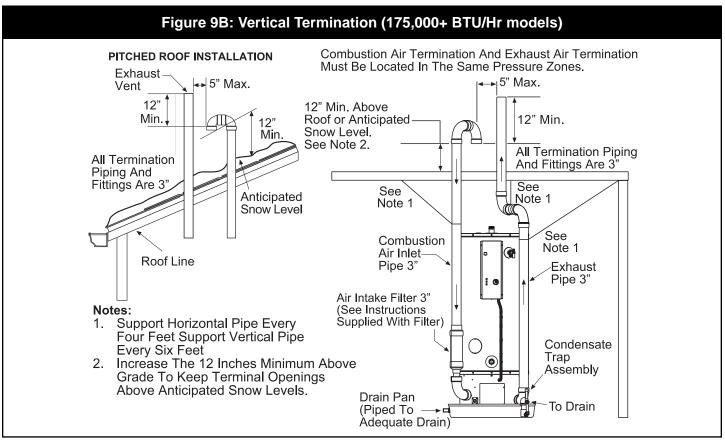
Figure 7B: Standard Horizontal Termination (175,000+ BTU/Hr models) ↔ : 4" Max. See C Exhaust 12" Note 1 5" Max Inlet Ô ି≁Alt. 5" 3" Coupling See Note 2 Inlet Max. Combustion Air Inlet Termination and Exhaust Air Termination 3" Tee Must Be Located In The Same w/Drain Tap Pressure Zones. 0 Trap 12" Min, Above Grade or Anticipated Snow Level. See Exhaust To Drain . @ Pipe 3' Note 3. See Note 4 Combustion Air Inlet Pipe 3" Air Intake Filter 3" Notes: (See Instructions Supplied With Filter) Support Horizontal Pipe Every 1. (**ð** Four Feet. Support Vertical Pipe Every Six Feet When Using 3 Inch Pipe in 175,000 BTU/hr 2. To Drain and above inputs, it is not necessary to Drain Pan (Piped to reduce the piping to 2" before penetrating Adequate Drain) the wall. Increase The 12 Inch Minimum Above 3. Grade To Keep Terminal Openings Above Anticipated Snow Levels. Condensate Trap Slope all Piping 1/8" per foot down toward 4. Assembly water heater.

VERTICAL TERMINATIONS (175,000+ BTU/HR)

For inputs of 175,000 BTU/Hr or greater, all termination piping and fittings are 3". Do not reduce before penetrating the wall.

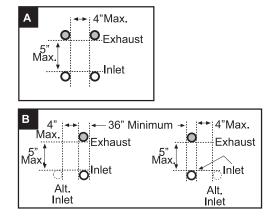
The vertical inlet air termination requires a return bend or two short or long sweep radius 90° elbows to keep the inlet downward and prevent entry of rain. These elbows are considered part of the termination and should not be included when calculating the maximum allowable vent pipe length. Refer to figure 9B for the proper location of the air inlet with respect to the exhaust outlet termination. The vertical exhaust outlet termination is a 3 inch pipe which terminates at least 12 inches above the inlet air termination. The air inlet and exhaust outlet terminations must be at least 12 inches above the roof line or anticipated snow levels as shown in figure 9B below.

Note: See "Venting Additional Polaris[®] Units" below if installing more than one Polaris[®] gas water heater.

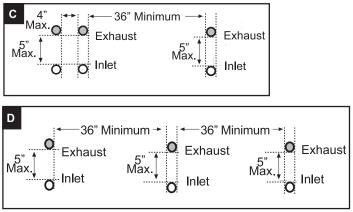


Venting Additional Polaris® Units (175,000+ BTU/Hr Models)

When using two Polaris® units, install vent terminations using either Method A or Method B below:



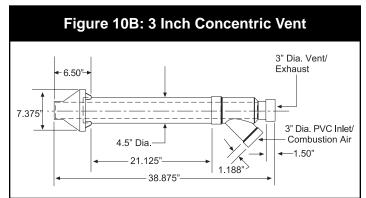
When using three or more Polaris $\ensuremath{\mathbb{B}}$ units, install vent terminations per Method C or Method D:

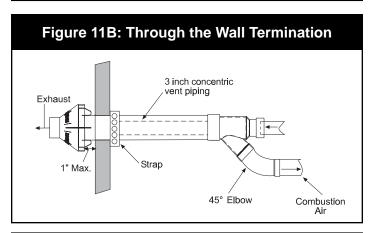


CONCENTRIC VENT TERMINATIONS (175,000 + BTU/HR)

For new installations, install 3" Concentric vent kit model KGAVT0601CVT, part number 6910543. See Manufacturer's instructions for complete installation or call customer service at 1-800-456-9805 for assistance.

For planning purposes, see figures 10B-13B below for vent terminal specifications.





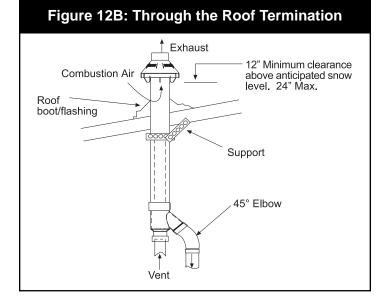
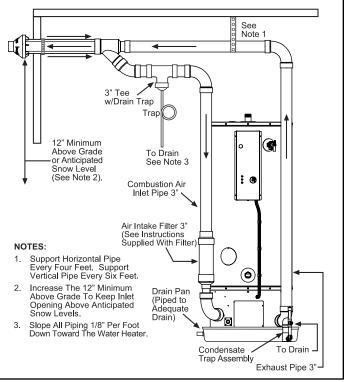


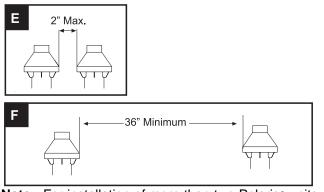
Figure 13B: Concentric Vent Piping Installation



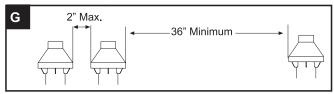
Note: For concentric venting terminations (all models), see "Concentric Venting Multiple Water Heaters" on Page 14.

Concentric Venting Multiple Water Heaters (All Models)

When using two Polaris® units, install vent terminations using either Method E or Method F below:



Note: For installation of more than two Polaris® units, follow the pattern established in Method G.



Gas Input Rate

The gas input rate of this water heater is affected by several environmental factors such as:

- The heating value of the gas
- The air and gas densities (which vary widely due to barometric pressure and temperature changes)
- Venting installations (pipe diameter, length and fittings)
 Altitude

When measuring the input rate these factors should be incorporated into the calculations. Also measure the gas consumption over a sufficiently long time to obtain an accurate gas consumption rate (e.g. 3-5 minutes, not one revolution of the meter needle).

Long vents and each additional elbow, inherently reduce the gas input rate due to increased resistance to moving combustion air and flue gases. The approximate maximum/ minimum input for the 130k, 150k, 175k, and the 199k models is shown in figure 14.

WATER PIPING SYSTEM

Piping Installation

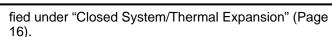
Piping, fittings, and valves should be installed according to the installation drawing (figure 15). If the indoor installation area is subject to freezing temperatures, the water piping must be protected by insulation.

Water supply pressure should not exceed 80% of the working pressure of the water heater. The working pressure is stated on the water heater's data plate. If this occurs a pressure reducing valve with a bypass should be installed in the cold water inlet line to the entire system. This should be placed on the supply to the entire structure in order to maintain equal hot and cold water pressures.

Important: Heat cannot be applied to the water fittings on the heater as they may contain nonmetallic parts. If solder connections are used, solder the pipe to the adapter before attaching the adapter to the hot and cold water fittings.

Important: Do not install this water heater with iron or galvanized piping. Use brass caps on all unused inlet/ outlet connections.

- Install the water piping and fittings as shown in figure 15. Note: If state or local codes require, install a vacuum relief valve per the manufactures instructions in the cold water supply line. Connect the cold water supply (50 gal. and below use 1" NPT, 100 gal. use 1-1/2" NPT) to the fitting marked "COLD INLET". Do not turn the cold water nipple. The mark should remain along the top side of the nipple (34 & 50 gal. models only.) Connect the hot water supply (50 gal. and below use 1" NPT, 100 gal. use 1-1/2" NPT) to the fitting marked "HOT OUTLET".
- 2. Always use a suitable grade of joint compound and be certain that all fittings are tightened properly.
- 3. The installation of unions in both the hot and cold water supply lines is recommended for ease of removing the water heater for service or replacement.
- 4. Since most commercial installations utilize higher temperatures, the use of a tempering valve is strongly recommended in all domestic hot water lines (i.e. public restroom sinks, etc).
- 5. If installing the water heater in a closed water system, install an expansion tank in the cold water line as speci-



- 6. Install a shut-off valve in the cold water inlet line. It should be located close to the water heater and be easily accessible. Know the location of this valve and how to shut off the water to the heater.
- The Polaris[®] gas water heater is shipped with a factory-installed Temperature and Pressure Relief Valve. Install a discharge line in the opening in the T & P valve (see instructions on Page 18).
- 8. After piping has been properly connected to the water heater, remove the aerator at the nearest hot water faucet. Open the hot water faucet and allow the tank to completely fill with water. (To prevent damage to the unit, DO NOT connect power until the tank is COMPLETELY FILLED). To purge the lines of any excess air, keep the hot water faucet open for 3 minutes after a constant flow of water is obtained. Close the faucet and check all connections for leaks.

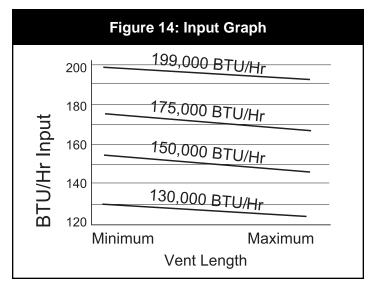
Corrosion and Water Quality

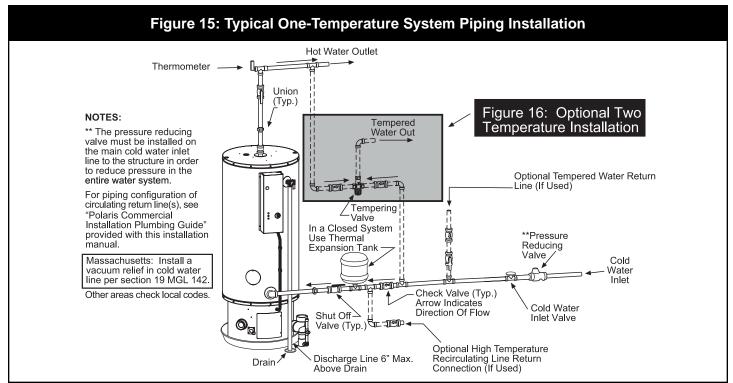
Water quality will vary from location to location and may contain contaminates that may reduce the life or performance of the water heater. To test for contaminates a water quality test kit is available, reference part number 6903791.

Contaminates which can reduce the life or performance of the water heater if present in high quantities include those which contribute to hardness (dissolved minerals such as sodium, calcium and magnesium); plus chlorides and sulfates. Additionally, water that is too acidic or basic (measured as pH) can reduce the life of the water heater. Water treatment systems (such as water softeners for hardness) should be used and maintained properly if the contaminate levels exceed the following:

Warranty is void in applications which exceed the water quality requirements listed below.

Total Hardness:	12 grains per gal. (205 mg/liter) max.
Chloride:	200 mg/liter max.
pH:	6.5-8.0
Alkalinity:	200 mg/liter max.





Tempering Valve Installation

A Tempering Valve should be installed, per the manufacturer's instructions, in the hot water line. See Figure 16 (above) for sample tempering valve installation.

General Information

Water piping, fittings, and valves must be properly installed for the correct and safe operation of this water heater. Please note the following:

- The system should be installed only with piping that is suitable for potable (drinking) water such as copper, CPVC, or polybutylene. PVC water piping may be used on the cold water inlet supply but not within 18 inches of the cold water connection on the water heater.
- Do not use PVC piping on the hot water outlet, space heating supply, or space heating return.
- Do not use any pumps, valves, or fittings that are not compatible with potable water.
- Do not use valves that may cause excessive restriction to water flow. Use full flow ball or gate valves only.
- Do not use 50/50 tin-lead solder (or any lead based solder) in potable water lines. Use 95/5 solder or other equivalent material.
- Do not tamper with the thermostat, gas valve, blower, electrical components, or temperature and pressure relief valve. Tampering with any of the components is dangerous and can result in death, severe injury, or property damage. Tampering voids all warranties. Only qualified technicians should service these components.
- Do not use this water heater as a replacement for an existing boiler installation.
- Do not use with piping that has been treated with chromates, boiler seal, or other chemicals.
- Do not add any chemicals to the system piping which will contaminate the potable water supply.
- Do not install check valves in the cold water supply line to the water heater.

Closed System/Thermal Expansion

Most commercial installations require a check valve or backflow prevention to be installed in the main water supply line. When a backflow prevention device or check valve is installed, it can create a "Closed System." Heating water in a closed system causes normal thermal expansion and increases pressure in the water system. When this pressure reaches 150 psi, it triggers the safety system in the T & P Relief Valve. This can result in the relief valve releasing water during every cycle. The rapid and repeated expansion and contraction of the water heater components and the system piping can cause premature failure of the relief valve, as well as the water heater itself. Replacing the relief valve will not correct the problem.

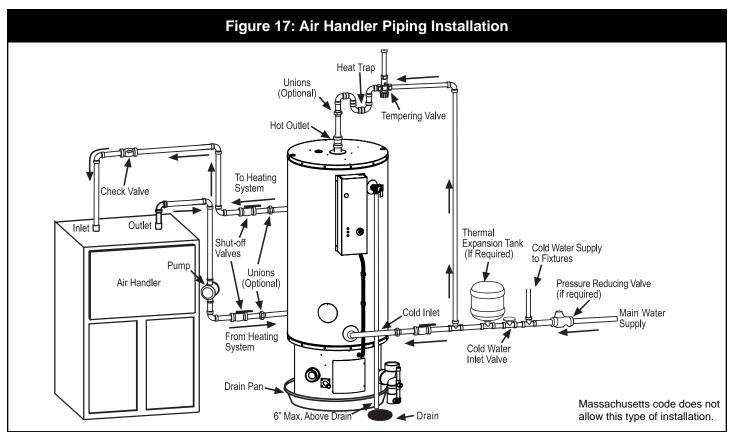
If the water heater is installed in a closed water supply system, such as one having a backflow preventer in the cold water supply line, means shall be provided to control thermal expansion. Contact the water supplier or local plumbing inspector on how to control this situation.

A properly sized expansion tank must be installed to prevent the water pressure from building to such a level in a Closed System. The manufacturer of this water heater will void the warranty if there is a failure to install a properly sized expansion tank.

Combination Space Heating/Potable Water System

Some water heater models are equipped with inlet/outlet connections for use in space heating applications. If this water heater is to be used to supply both space heating and potable (drinking) water, the instructions listed below must be followed (see figure 17).

- Be sure to follow the manual(s) shipped with the air handler or other type heating system.
- This water heater is not to be used as a replacement for an existing boiler installation.
- Do not use with piping that has been treated with chro-



mates, boiler seal or other chemicals and do not add any chemicals to the water heater piping.

- If the space heating system requires water temperatures in excess of 120°F, a tempering valve should be installed per the manufacturer's instructions in the potable hot water supply to limit the risk of scald injury.
- Pumps, valves, piping and fittings must be compatible with potable water.
- A properly installed flow control valve is required to prevent thermosiphoning. Thermosiphoning is the result of a continuous flow of water through the air handler circuit during the off cycle. Weeping (blow off) of the temperature and pressure relief valve (T & P) or higher than normal water temperatures are the first signs of thermosiphoning.
- The hot water line from the water heater should be vertical past any tempering valve or supply line to the heating system to remove air bubbles from the system.
- Do not connect the water heater to any system or components previously used with non-potable water heating appliances when used to supply potable water.

Storage Tank Installation

When installing the Polaris® with a storage tank, see figure 18 for piping suggestions.

Piping Diagrams

See enclosed insert for additional piping diagrams.

Booster Water Heater Applications

When the Polaris® is installed as a booster water heater in a dishwashing system, with or without a 180° recirculation line, a water hammer arrester must be installed between the hot water outlet of the booster water heater and the supply line to the dishwasher (see "Polaris Commercial Installation Plumbing Guide" for precise installation location).

Notes on Figure 18:

If tank temperature is set above 120°F and water is supplied for domestic use (hand washing, showering, etc.) a tempering valve should be installed in the hot water line to domestic fixtures.

Installation must conform to local code requirements. If a check valve is installed in the cold water supply line, an expansion tank must be installed between the check valve and the water heater's cold water inlet. Set storage tank temperature five degrees lower than the water heater's temperature setting. Using the plug cock in the recirculating line, adjust the flow in the recirculating line to five gallons per minute.

For additional information, see "Polaris Commercial Installation Plumbing Guide" provided with this manual or call Customer Service at 1-800-456-9805.

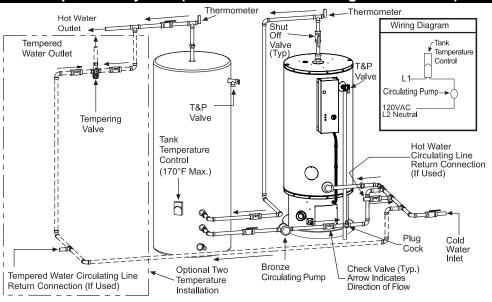
Temperature and Pressure Relief Valve



Failure to follow these instructions can result in death or explosion.

For protection against excessive pressures and temperatures, a temperature and pressure relief valve must be installed in the opening marked "T & P RELIEF VALVE". This valve must be design certified by a nationally recognized testing laboratory that maintains periodic inspection of the production of listed equipment or materials as meeting the requirements for Relief Valves and Automatic Shutoff Devices for Hot Water Supply Systems, ANSI Z21.22. The function of the temperature and pressure relief valve is to discharge water in large quantities in the event of excessive temperature or pressure developing in the water heater. The valve's relief pressure must not exceed the working pressure of the water heater as stated on the data plate.

Figure 18: Polaris with Auxillary Storage Tank - One or Two Temperature System (With or Without Building Recirculation)



Important: Only a new temperature and pressure relief valve should be used with this water heater. Do not use an old or existing valve as it may be damaged or not adequate for the working pressure of the new water heater. Do not place any valve or piping between the relief valve and the tank.

The Temperature & Pressure Relief Valve:

- Must not be in contact with any electrical part.
- Must be connected to an adequate discharge line.
- Must not be rated higher than the working pressure shown on the data plate of the water heater.
- The BTUH rating of the T & P valve must be greater than, or equal to, the input rating of the water heater The Discharge Line:
- Must not be smaller than the pipe size of the relief valve or have any reducing coupling installed in the discharge line.
- Must not be capped, blocked, plugged or contain any valve between the relief valve and the end of the discharge line.
- Must terminate a maximum of 6 inches above a floor drain or external to the building.
- Must be capable of withstanding 250°F (121°C) without distortion.
- Must be installed to allow complete drainage of both the valve and discharge line.

GAS SUPPLY AND PIPING



Explosion Hazard Use a new AGA or CSA approved gas supply line.

Install a shut-off valve.

Do not connect a natural gas water heater to a L.P. Gas Supply.

Do not connect an L.P. gas water heater to a Natural Gas Supply.

Failure to follow these instructions can result in death, explosion, or carbon monoxide poisoning.

Gas Requirements

Read the data plate to be sure the water heater is made for the type of gas being used. This information will be found on the data plate located on the front of the water heater. If the information does not agree with the type of gas available, do not install or operate the water heater. Call your dealer.

Note: An odorant may be added by the gas supplier to the gas used by this water heater. This odorant may fade over an extended period of time. Do not depend upon this odorant as an indication of leaking gas.

Gas Piping

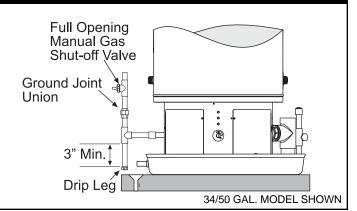
The gas piping must be installed according to all local and state codes or in absence of local and state codes with the "National Fuel Gas Code", ANSI Z223.1 (NFPA 54)-latest edition. Canadian installations must be performed in accordance with CAN/CGA-B149. **Note:** If using a flexible gas connector, make sure its rating tag matches or exceeds the input of the water heater.

Tables 2, 3A, and 3B on page 20 are provided as a sizing reference for commonly used gas pipe materials. Consult the "National Fuel Gas Code" for the recommended gas pipe size of other materials. Follow the instructions below and reference figure 19 for gas piping installation.

- 1. Install a readily accessible manual shut-off valve in the gas supply line as recommended by the local utility. Know the location of this valve and how to turn off the gas to this unit. **Note:** DO NOT pipe across clean-out port (100 gal. only.)
- 2. Install a drip leg as shown. The drip leg must be no less than 3 inches long for the accumulation of dirt, foreign material and water droplets.
- Install a ground joint union between the water heater and the manual shut-off valve. This is to allow easy servicing.
- Turn the gas supply on and check for leaks. Use a chloride-free soap and water solution (bubbles forming indicate a leak) or other approved method.

Note: Units with BTU/Hr inputs of 175,000 and above must have a minimum of 3/4" NPT gas pipe supplied to the water heater.

Figure 19: Gas Piping Installation



Gas Pressure

Important: The gas supply pressure must not exceed the maximum supply pressure as stated on the water heater's data plate. Minimum supply pressure should also be maintained per the data plate.

Gas Pressure Testing

Important: This water heater and its gas connection must be leak tested before placing the appliance in operation.

- If the code requires the gas lines to be tested at a pressure of 14" W.C. or greater, the water heater and its manual shut-off valve must be **disconnected** from the gas supply piping system and the line capped.
- If the gas lines are to be tested at a pressure **less** than 14" W.C., the water heater must be **isolated** from the gas supply piping system by closing its manual shut-off valve.

Nationally listed/recognized fuel gas and carbon monoxide(CO) detectors are recommended in all applications and should be installed using the manufacturer's instructions and local codes, rules, or regulations.

Note: Air may be present in the gas lines and could prevent the burner from lighting on initial start-up. The gas lines should be purged of air by a qualified service technician after installation of the gas piping system.

WARNING



Explosion Hazard

Have a qualified person make sure L.P. gas pressure does not exceed 13" water column.

Examples of a qualified person include licensed heating personnel, authorized gas company personnel, and authorized service personnel.

Failure to do so can result in death, explosion, or fire.

Tal	ble 2
Nat	tural Gas Pipe Capacity Table (Cu. ft./hr)

Capacity of gas pipe of different diameters and lengths in cu. ft. per hr. with pressure drop of 0.3 in. and specific gravity of 0.60 (natural gas).

Nominal	Iron Pip	be]	Length	of Pipe,	Feet					
Size, in.	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	125	150	175	200
$ \begin{array}{c c} 1/2 \\ 3/4 \\ 1 \\ 1-1/4 \\ 1-1/2 \end{array} $	132 278 520 1050 1600	n/a 190 350 730 1100	n/a 152 285 590 890	n/a 130 245 500 760	n/a 115 215 440 670	n/a 105 195 400 610	n/a 96 180 370 560	n/a n/a 170 350 530	n/a n/a 160 320 490	n/a n/a 150 305 460	n/a n/a 130 275 410	n/a n/a 120 250 380	n/a n/a 110 225 350	n/a n/a 100 210 320

After the length of pipe has been determined, select the pipe size which will provide the minimum cubic feet per hour required for the gas input rating of the water heater. By formula:

Cu. Ft. Per Hr. Required $= \frac{\text{Gas Input of Water Heater (BTU/HR)}}{\text{Heating Value of Gas (BTU/FT³)}}$

The gas input of the water heater is marked on the water heater data plate. The heating value of the gas (BTU/FT^3) may be determined by consulting the local natural gas utility.

Table 3 - A

L.P. Gas Capacity Table

Maximum capacity of pipe in thousands of BTU per hour of undiluted liquefied petroleum gases (at 11 inches water column pressure). Based on a Pressure Drop of 0.5 Inch Water Column.

Nominal I	ron Pipe	•				Length o	of Pipe, I	Feet				
Size, in.	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	125	150
1/2 3/4 1 1-1/4	275 576 1071 2205	189 393 732 1496	152 315 590 1212	n/a 267 504 1039	n/a 237 448 913	n/a 217 409 834	n/a 196 378 771	n/a 185 346 724	n/a 173 322 677	n/a 162 307 630	n/a 146 275 567	n/a 132 252 511

Example: Input BTU requirement of the water heater, 199,000 BTUH Total pipe length, 80 feet = 1" IPS required.

Table 3 - B

L.P. Gas Capacity Table

Maximum capacity of pipe in thousands of BTU per hour of undiluted liquefied petroleum gases (at 11 inches water column pressure). Based on a Pressure Drop of 0.5 Inch Water Column.

Copper Tu	bing OD		Length of Pipe, Feet							
Size, in.	10	20	30	40	50	60	80	100	125	
5/8 3/4 7/8	206 348 536	141 239 368	n/a 192 296	n/a 164 253	n/a 146 224	n/a 132 203	n/a n/a 174	n/a n/a 154	n/a n/a 137	
Example: Input BTU requirement of the water heater, 199,000 BTUH Total pipe length, 50 feet = 7/8" IPS required.										

Additional tables are available in the latest edition of the "National Fuel Gas Code", ANSI Z223.1

ELECTRICAL CONNECTIONS

WARNING

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Electrical Shock Hazard disconnect power before ervicing.

Replace all parts and panels before operating.

Failure to do so can result in leath or electrical shock.

If you lack the necessary skills required to properly install the electrical wiring to this water heater, do not proceed but have a qualified electrician perform the installation.

When making the electrical connections, always make sure:

- The voltage and frequency correspond to that specified on the water heater data plate on the front of the water heater.
- The electrical supply has the proper overload fuse or breaker protection. The heater draws less than 7 amps.
- Wire sizes and connections comply with all applicable codes.
- Wiring enclosed in approved conduit (if required by local codes).
- The water heater and electrical supply are properly grounded.
- This water heater must be "hard-wired" do not use an extension cord to supply electrical power to this water heater.

Note:

The wiring diagram can be found on page 22. Always reference the wiring diagram(s) for the correct electrical connections.

When installing the electrical wiring to the water heater:

- 1. Shut off the power at the electrical service box.
- 2. Loosen the screws securing the access panel to the electrical compartment. (The electrical wiring diagram for 34 & 50 gal. models can be found on the inside of the access panel at the base of the water heater. For 100 gal. models the wiring diagram is located in the electrical compartment on the front of the water heater.) Set the access panel aside.
- Connect the electrical supply to the water heater in accordance with local utility requirements and codes. Use only a dedicated electrical circuit containing a properly sized fuse or circuit breaker. Maximum overload protection should not exceed 15 amperes.

- 4. Connect this circuit (directly from the electrical service box) to an electrical disconnect switch.
- 5. Ground the water heater by connecting the electrical service ground wire to the green ground wire (provided).

Note: The power supply to this water heater must be properly polarized, [120 volts from the hot lead (black) to ground and 0 volts from the neutral lead (white) to ground] otherwise, the unit will not operate.

6. After making all electrical connections, completely fill the tank with water and check all connections for leaks. Open the nearest hot water faucet and let it run for 3 minutes to purge the water lines of air and sediment and to ensure complete filling of the tank. The electrical power may then be turned on. See figure 20 for completed installation.

Figure 20A: Electrical Connections (34/50 Gal.)

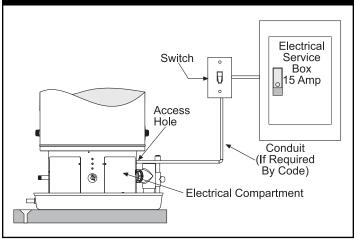
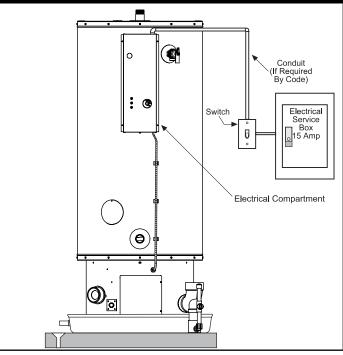
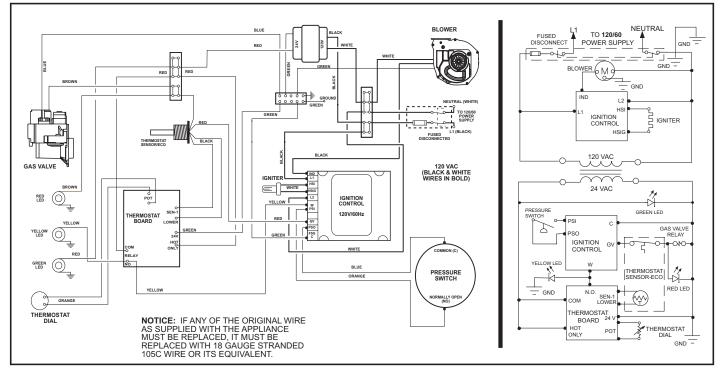


Figure 20B: Electrical Connections (100 Gal.)

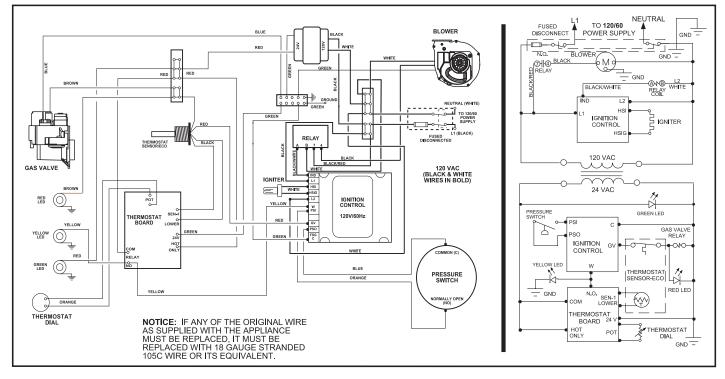


WIRING DIAGRAM

MODELS 130,000 BTU/Hr



MODELS 150,000 BTU/Hr & Above



INSTALLATION CHECKLIST Water Heater Location Requirements

- □ Centrally located with the water piping system. Located as close to the gas piping and vent pipe system as possible.
- □ Located indoors and in a vertical position. Protected from freezing temperatures.
- Proper clearances from combustible surfaces maintained and not installed directly on a carpeted floor.
 Sufficient room to service the water heater.
- Provisions made to protect the area from water damage. Properly sized drain pan installed and piped to an adequate drain.
- □ Installation area free of corrosive elements and flammable materials.

Condensate Line

- Drain stem is fully inserted in the elbow and glued properly.
- □ Trap aligned so that the exhaust pipe is in a vertical position close to the surface of the water heater.
- □ Line properly sloped to adequate drain or approved condensate pump.
- □ Properly vented.
- □ Protected from freezing (if required).

Vent Pipe System

- □ Vent pipe and fittings of approved material.
- □ Acceptable size, length, and number of elbows on air inlet pipe.
- □ Acceptable size, length, and number of elbows on exhaust outlet pipe.
- $\hfill\square$ Add the air inlet filter per the manufacturer's instruction.
- Installed in accordance with prevailing provisions of local codes, or in the absence of such, National Fuel Gas Code, NFPA 54, ANSI Z223.1-Latest Edition. Canadian Installations must be performed in accordance with CAN/CGA-B149.
- □ All 2" horizontal piping sloped down toward the water heater at 1/4" per foot. 3" piping sloped down towards the heater at 1/8" per foot.
- Not obstructed in any way.

Vent Termination

Horizontal

- $\hfill\square$ Correct relationship outlet to inlet.
- $\hfill\square$ 12" Min. above grade/snow level.
- □ 2" exhaust outlet/air inlet pipe sloped down towards water heater at 1/4" per foot. 3" piping sloped down towards the heater at 1/8" per foot.
- $\hfill\square$ Away from corners, other vents, windows, etc.

Alternate Horizontal

- □ Correct relationship outlet to inlet.
- □ 12" Min. above anticipated snow level.
- 2" exhaust outlet/air inlet pipe sloped down towards water heater at 1/4" per foot. 3" piping sloped down towards the heater at 1/8" per foot.
- □ Away from corners, other vents, windows, etc.

Vertical

- □ Inlet 12" Min. above roof/snow level.
- $\hfill\square$ Correct relationship outlet to inlet.
- □ Away from corners, other vents, windows, etc. **Concentric**
- □ 12" Min. above grade/snow level.
- 2" exhaust outlet/air inlet pipe sloped down towards water heater at 1/4" per foot. 3" piping sloped down towards the heater at 1/8" per foot.
- $\hfill\square$ Away from corners, other vents, windows, etc.

Water System Piping

- □ Temperature and pressure relief valve properly installed with a discharge line run to an open drain and protected from freezing.
- All piping properly installed and free of leaks.
- □ Heater completely filled with water.
- □ A properly sized expansion tank must be installed on all closed systems.
- □ A tempering valve should be installed per the manufacturer's instructions.

Gas Supply and Piping

- □ If using a flexible gas connector, make sure its rating tag matches or exceeds the input of the water heater.
- $\hfill\square$ Adequate pipe size and of approved material.
- Gas supply is the same type as listed on the water heater data plate.
- □ Gas line equipped with full opening shut-off valve, union and drip leg.
- □ Approved pipe joint compound used.
- Chloride-free soap and water solution or other approved means used to check all connections and fittings for possible gas leaks.

Electrical Connections

- $\hfill\square$ Unit connected to a dedicated power supply.
- $\hfill\square$ Unit connected to a 120V electrical supply.
- Proper polarity.
- □ Water heater properly grounded.
- Installed in accordance with prevailing provisions of local codes, or in the absence of such, "National Fuel Gas Code", NFPA 54, ANSI Z223.1-Latest Edition. Canadian installations must be performed in accordance with CAN/CGA-B149.

OPERATING YOUR WATER HEATER

Read and understand these directions thoroughly before attempting to operate the water heater (see Operating Instructions on page 25). Check the data plate on the front of the water heater for the correct gas. Do not use this water heater with any gas other than the one listed on the data plate. If you have any questions or doubts, consult your gas supplier or gas utility company.

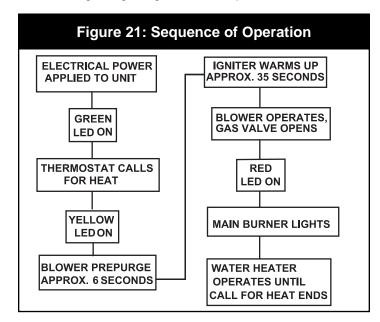
L.P. (Propane) Models

Propane gas is heavier than air and in the occurrence of a leak in the system, the gas will settle on the floor level. Basements, crawl spaces, skirted areas under mobile homes (even when ventilated), closets and areas below ground level will serve as pockets for the accumulation of gas. Before lighting a propane gas water heater, smell all around the appliance at floor level. If you smell gas, follow the instructions as given in the warning on the front page.

When your propane tank runs out of fuel, turn off the gas at all gas appliances including pilot lights. After the tank is refilled, all appliances must be re-lit according to their manufacturer's instructions.

Water Heater Operation

This appliance does not have a pilot light. It is equipped with an electronic ignition that automatically lights the burner. There are three lights to indicate the various stages of operation; **Green** = Electrical power is on, **Yellow** = Thermostat is calling for heat, which signals the beginning of the ignition sequence (see figure 21), and **Red** = Ignition control is signaling the gas valve to open.



When the thermostat calls for heat, the blower will run for 6 seconds to purge the system of any accumulated gas or air. The hot surface igniter will heat up for 35 seconds. The blower will turn on and the gas valve open, forcing the air and gas mixture across the hot surface igniter, causing the burner to light. The hot surface igniter will turn off and act as an electronic flame sensor to determine if burner ignition has been accomplished. If it detects any loss of flame, it will shut off the gas supply to the burner.

The ignition control will try to light the burner three times. If the ignition control does not detect a flame after three tries, it will temporarily lock out, but then auto restart and go through three additional tries for ignition after 60 minutes. It will repeat until ignition occurs or the system locks out requiring service. Refer to Troubleshooting Guide on Page 28.

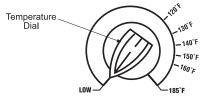
Thermostat Sensor

The sensor is a 10K ohm at 77°F (25°C) thermistor. Read resistance through the black wires that run to the sensor. Remove wires from circuit board before checking. An open or short circuit indicates sensor failure. Check reading against the following table. The resistance should correspond with the temperature in the tank:

60°F	16°C	15,300 ohms
80°F	27°C	9,300 ohms
100°F	38°C	5,800 ohms
120°F	49°C	3,800 ohms
140°F	60°C	2,500 ohms
160°F	71°C	1,700 ohms
185°F	85°C	1,100 ohms

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Turn temperature dial counterclockwise ⊮ to the lowest setting.
- 2. Turn off electrical power to the appliance.



- 3. This appliance is equipped with an ignition device which automatically lights the burner. Do not try to light the burner by hand.
- 4. To clear any gas that may have accumulated, wait ten (10) minutes. If you smell gas, STOP! Refer to the safety warning on the front cover of this manual. If you do not smell gas, go to the next step.

- 5. Turn on the electricity to the water heater. The green power light will glow.
- 6. Turn the temperature dial clockwise to the desired setting. The yellow ignitor light will glow when the thermostat calls for heat. After 35 seconds, the

burner will fire and the red burner light will glow.

.130°F

. 140° F

– 150°F

160°F

185°E

7. If the appliance will not operate after three automatic tries, follow these instructions once more. If the appliance still refuses to light, follow the instructions "To Turn Off Appliance" and call your service technician or gas supplier.

TO TURN OFF GAS TO APPLIANCE

- 2. Turn off electric power to appliance if service is to be performed.

Stacking

Stacking occurs when a series of short draws of hot water (3 gallons or less) are taken from the water heater tank. This causes increased cycling of the burner and can result in increased water temperatures at the hot water outlet. A tempering valve should be installed in the hot water supply line to reduce the risk of scald injury.

Water Temperature Regulation



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.

3. Close the manual gas shut-off valve in the gas supply line near the water heater.

The thermostat is adjusted to its lowest temperature setting when it is shipped from the factory. Water temperature can be regulated by moving the temperature dial to the preferred setting. The preferred starting point is 130° F; however, in some instances, setting the water heater higher than 130° F can reduce the occurrence of igniter failure due to excessive condensate.

Important: Since most commercial installations utilize higher temperatures, the use of a tempering valve is strongly recommended in all domestic hot water lines (i.e. public restroom sinks, etc).

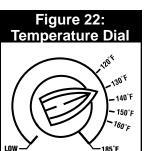
Auxiliary commercial equipment (i.e. dishwashers, laundry equipment, etc) may require higher temperature settings. Refer to the manufacturer's instruction manuals supplied with this type equipment for recommended temperature settings.

Important: Adjusting the thermostat past the 120°F setting on the temperature dial (see figure 22) will increase the risk of scald injury. Hot water can produce first degree burns within: 120°F (49°C) more than 5 minutes 130°F (54°C) at 20 seconds 140°F (60°C) at 3 seconds

150°F (66°C) at 1-1/2 seconds 160°F (71°C) at less than 1 second

Emergency Shut Down

Important: If overheating occurs or the gas supply fails to shut off, close the manual gas supply valve. Turn off the electrical supply to the unit and close the cold water supply



OPERATIONAL CONDITIONS Water Heater Sounds

During the normal operation of the water heater, sounds or noises may be heard. These noises are common and may result from the following:

- 1. Normal expansion and contraction of metal parts during periods of heat-up and cool-down.
- 2. Sediment buildup in the tank bottom will create varying amounts of noise and may cause premature tank failure. Drain and flush the tank as directed under "Draining and Flushing".

Safety Shut-Off (Pressure Switch)

This water heater is equipped with a pressure switch that protects the unit by shutting it down in the event that:

- A blockage occurs in the combustion air inlet, the flue gas exhaust outlet, or both the inlet and outlet.
- The condensate line freezes and the condensate "backs up" and fills the exhaust outlet.
- The blower fails to operate, or operates improperly.
- The unit begins to operate at an abnormally low input level.

Energy Cut-Off (ECO)

A high temperature limit switch, or ECO, is used to shut down the water heater if the water temperature exceeds 203°F. The ECO will automatically reset when the temperature cools sufficiently. If the ECO shuts down the heater repetitively, contact a qualified professional for service.

MAINTENANCE Draining and Flushing

It is recommended that the tank be drained and flushed every 6 months to remove sediment which may buildup during operation. The water heater should be drained if being shut down during freezing temperatures.

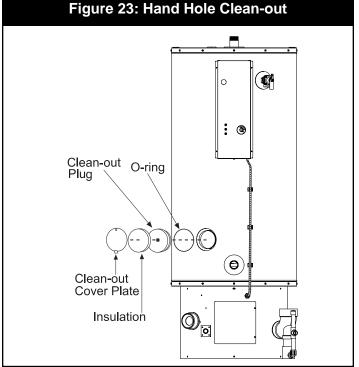
To drain the tank, perform the following steps:

- 1. Turn off the gas supply at the Manual Gas Shut-off Valve. Turn off the electrical supply to the water heater
- 2. Close the cold water inlet valve.
- 3. Open a nearby hot water faucet.
- 4. Open the access door at the bottom of the heater, then connect a hose to the drain valve and terminate it to an adequate drain.

Note: The drain hose should be rated for at least 200°F. If the drain hose does not have this rating, open the cold water inlet valve and a nearby hot faucet until the water is no longer hot.

- 5. Close the cold water inlet valve.
- 6. Open the water heater drain valve and allow all the water to drain from the tank.
- 7. Flush tank to remove sediment

Note: For water heaters with a hand hole clean-out follow steps 8-11.



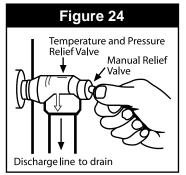
- Remove screw holding the outer hand hole clean-out cover. Then carefully remove the insulation covering the clean-out plug. Using a 1/2" square drive ratchet open the clean-out plug (see figure 23.) Note: After removing the clean-out plug inspect the O-ring for damage, replace if necessary.
- 9. Using a Wet/Dry shop vacuum clean any debris from the tank.
- 10. Lubricate O-ring with a food grade oil. Then replace and securely tighten the clean-out plug.
- 11. Replace the insulation and cover plate.
- 12. Close the drain valve, replace access door, **refill the tank**, and restart the heater as directed under "Operating Your Water Heater".

If the water heater is going to be shut down for an extended period, the drain valve should be left open.

Temperature and Pressure Relief Valve

Manually operate the temperature and pressure relief valve

at least once a year to make sure it is working properly. To prevent water damage, the valve must be properly connected to a discharge line which terminates at an adequate drain. Standing clear of the outlet (discharged water may be hot), slowly lift and release the lever handle on the temperature and pressure relief valve to allow the valve



to operate freely and return to its closed position (see figure 24). If the valve fails to completely reset and continues to release water, immediately shut off the manual gas valve and the cold water inlet valve, and call a qualified service technician.

MAINTENANCE OF YOUR WATER HEATER 3 Month Inspection Replacing

At least every 3 months, a visual inspection should be made of the combustion air inlet as well as the exhaust and water piping. Check the water heater for the following:

- Obstructions, damage, or deterioration in the venting system. Make sure the exhaust and combustion air supplies are not obstructed.
- Leaking or damaged water and gas piping.
- Presence of flammable or corrosive materials in the installation area.
- Presence of combustible materials near the water heater.

Important: Verify proper operation after servicing this water heater.

Gas Valve

The gas valve on this water heater has been permanently set at the factory for proper operation. No field adjustments are needed and none should be performed.

Removing the Gas Valve

Removal and replacement of the gas regulator valve involves the disconnection of gas piping and electrical leads. This procedure must be performed by a qualified service technician.

Important: When removing the gas valve, do not use a pipe wrench or vise to grip the body. Do not apply any force to the gas valve or the cast flange fitting on the inlet side of the gas valve (see figure 25.) Such force may break or crack these components.

- 1. Turn temperature dial counterclockwise to the lowest setting and turn off electrical power to appliance.
- 2. Shut off the gas at the manual shut-off valve on the gas supply line. See figure 19 for reference. Remove the access door.
- Disconnect the gas piping connection just outside the base of the water heater . Note: Use a second pipe wrench on the gas piping inside the skirt to avoid cracking the gas valve or the flange fitting.
- 4. Remove the pressure tap from the gas valve (see figure 25). The hose should not be disconnected.
- 5. Remove the Phillips head screw holding the electrical plug and remove electrical plug from the gas valve.
- 6. Remove the three T-25 Torx head brass screws that attach the gas valve to the venturi manifold, using the T-25 Torx wrench supplied with the gas valve kit (model VK8115V, part number 6903775.)
- 7. Remove the gas valve from the unit keeping the rubber gasket with the gas valve .
- 8. Remove the flange from the gas inlet side of the valve by removing the four (4) attachment screws.

Replacing the Gas Valve

Important: The rubber gasket that seals the gas valve to the venturi manifold must be used (previous gaskets may be reused, if in good condition). Make sure the gasket is properly inserted into the recess on the gas valve prior to installation (see figure 25 for exact placement of the rubber gasket).

- Remove the O-ring from the flange (removed from the old gas valve) and replace it with the one provided in the gas valve kit (model VK8115V, part number 6903775.)
- 2. Reattach the elbow flange to the gas valve. Tighten all four screws securely.
- 3. Place the three T-25 Torx screws through the proper holes in the venturi manifold flange. See figure 25.
- 4. Properly install a new rubber gasket (provided) as shown in figure 25.
- Position the gas valve and start all three screws (projecting downward from the venturi manifold) into the gas valve. A T-25 Torx wrench has been provided in the gas valve replacement kit (model VK8115V, part number 6903775.)

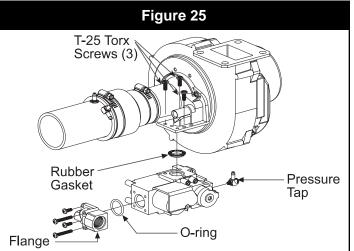
Note: All three T-25 Torx screws must be properly tightened to secure the seal between the gas valve and the venturi manifold.

- 6. Reconnect the pressure tap to the port on the new gas valve (see figure 25).
- 7. Reconnect the external gas supply line to the gas piping on the gas valve. Be sure to use approved Teflon tape or pipe joint compound suitable for gas piping.

Note: Use a second pipe wrench on the gas piping inside the skirt to avoid cracking the gas valve or the cast fitting.

- 8. Reconnect the electrical plug to the gas valve and secure it with the screw provided.
- 9. Turn gas supply on and check for leaks. Use a chloride-free soap and water solution (bubbles forming indicate a leak) or other approved method. All leaks must be fixed immediately.
- 10. Be sure tank is completely filled with water before restoring power to the water heater. Follow operating instructions on Page 25.
- 11. Ensure proper operation of the water heater, then reinstall the access door.

If additional information is required, contact the Product Service and Support Group at 1-800-456-9805.



TROUBLESHOOTING

Ignition Control Module (ICM) LED Error Codes: (Flashes visible through viewport in access door)				
FLASHES	INDICATED PROBLEM	CONTROL REACTION		
1	Pressure Switch Closed	SC*		
2	Pressure Switch Open	SL		
3	Failed Ignition	SL3		
4	Gas Valve Hardware Fault	SL		
5	Flame Sense Hardware Fault	SC		
6	False Flame	SL**		
8	Ignition Control Hardware Fault	SL		
9	Ignition Control Software Fault	SL		
Rapid	L1 Polarity Detection	SC		

SL (Soft Lockout): Control Automatically resets after 60 minutes.

SL3 (Soft Lockout/Hard Lockout): Control automatically resets after 60 minutes, with a maximum of 3 resets, followed by hard lockout requiring service.

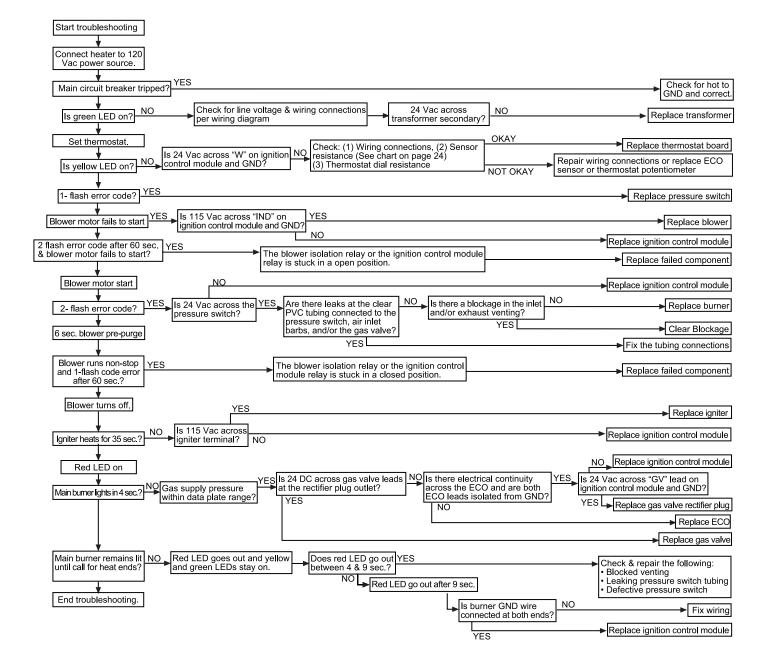
SC (Self Clearing): Control will function normally as soon as it no longer detects the previously indicated fault.

* when pressure switch or blower relay opens

** when flame is no longer sensed.

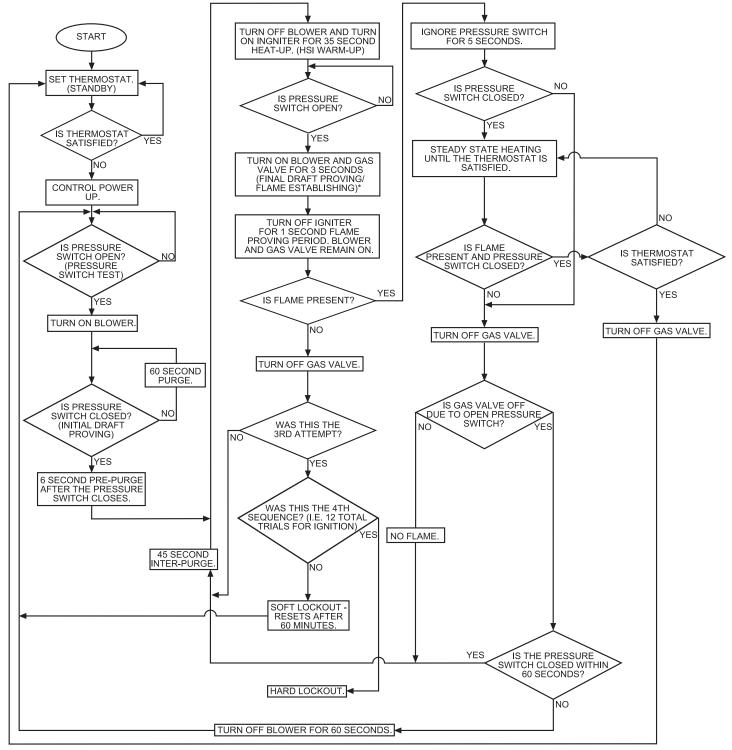
† Blower Isolation Relay is used on models 150,000 BTU/Hr and above.

Note: If unit goes into a soft or hard lock-out the ignition control module can be reset by cycling power to the water heater.



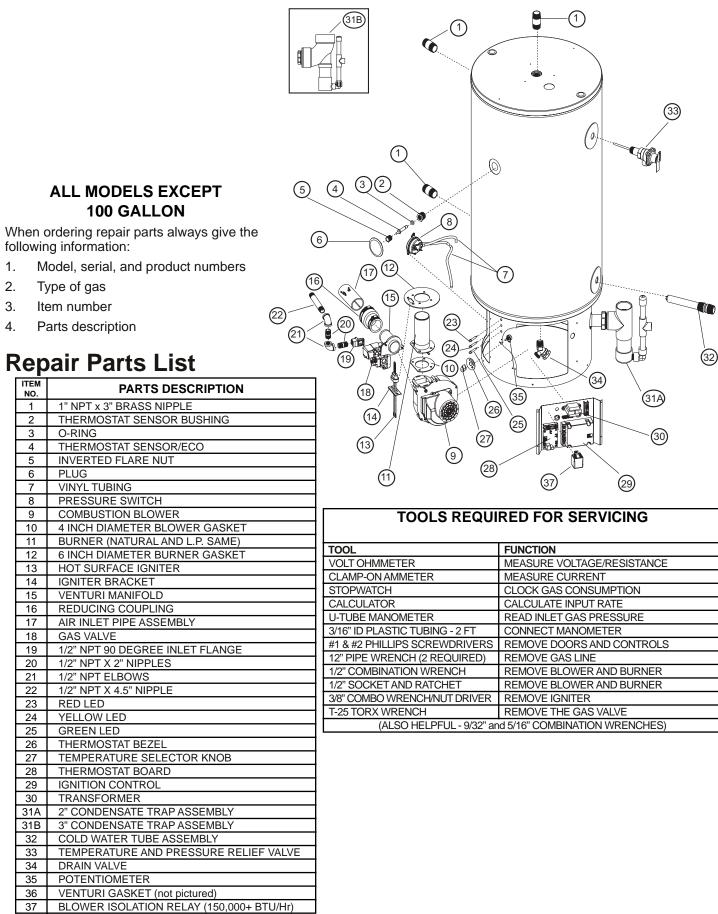
SOFTWARE OPERATION SEQUENCE

IGNITION CONTROL MODULE SOFTWARE OPERATION SEQUENCE



* For 175,000 BTU/Hr models and above the flame establishing period is six seconds. For the first 3 seconds the gas valve is off.

REPAIR PARTS LIST/DIAGRAM



REPAIR PARTS LIST/DIAGRAM

100 GALLON MODELS

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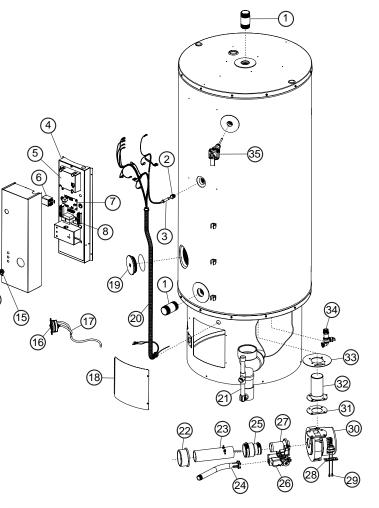
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When ordering repair parts always give the following information:

- Model, serial, and product numbers 1.
- 2. Type of gas
- 3. Item number
- 4. Parts description

Repair Parts List

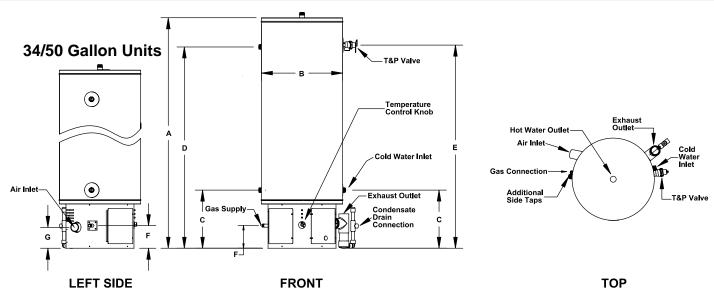
ITEM NO.	PARTS DESCRIPTION
1	1-1/2" NPT x 3" BRASS NIPPLE
2	THERMOSTAT SENSOR BUSHING
3	THERMOSTAT SENSOR/ECO
4	CONTROL PANEL HOUSING
5	IGNITION CONTROL
6	BLOWER ISOLATION RELAY
7	THERMOSTAT BOARD
8	TRANSFORMER
9	SIGHT GLASS
10	RED LED
11	YELLOW LED
12	GREEN LED
13	TEMPERATURE SELECTOR KNOB
14	THERMOSTAT BEZEL
15	POTENTIOMETER
16	PRESSURE SWITCH
17	VINYL TUBING
18	ACCESS PANEL
19	CLEAN-OUT PLUG w/O-RING
20	CONDUIT
21	3" CONDENSATE TRAP ASSEMBLY
22	BUSHING
23	AIR INLET PIPE ASSEMBLY
24	3/4" GAS INLET PIPE
25	PIPE COUPLING
26	GAS VALVE
27	VENTURI MANIFOLD
28	IGNITER BRACKET
29	HOT SURFACE IGNITOR
30	BLOWER
31	4" DIAMETER BLOWER GASKET
32	BURNER (NATURAL & L.P. SAME)
33	6" DIAMETER BURNER GASKET
34	DRAIN VALVE
35	TEMPERATURE AND PRESSURE RELIEF VALVE



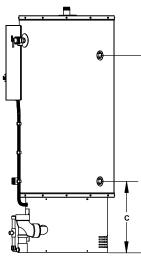
TOOLS REQUIRED FOR SERVICING

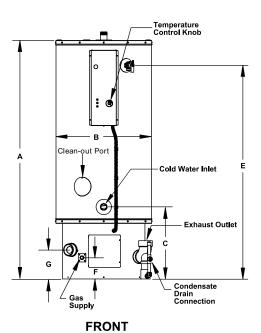
TOOL	FUNCTION						
VOLT OHMMETER	MEASURE VOLTAGE/RESISTANCE						
CLAMP-ON AMMETER	MEASURE CURRENT						
STOPWATCH	CLOCK GAS CONSUMPTION						
CALCULATOR	CALCULATE INPUT RATE						
U-TUBE MANOMETER	READ INLET GAS PRESSURE						
3/16" ID PLASTIC TUBING - 2 FT	CONNECT MANOMETER						
#1 & #2 PHILLIPS SCREWDRIVERS	REMOVE DOORS AND CONTROLS						
12" PIPE WRENCH (2 REQUIRED)	REMOVE GAS LINE						
1/2" COMBINATION WRENCH	REMOVE BLOWER AND BURNER						
1/2" SOCKET AND RATCHET	REMOVE BLOWER AND BURNER						
3/8" COMBO WRENCH/NUT DRIVER	REMOVE IGNITER						
T-25 TORX WRENCH	REMOVE THE GAS VALVE						
(ALSO HELPFUL - 9/32" and 5/16" COMBINATION WRENCHES)							

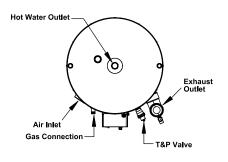
POLARIS MODELS & DIMENSIONS



100 Gallon Units







RIGHT SIDE	FRONT						ТОР					
MODEL	GAL.	INPUT (MBTU	VENT	EXTERIOR		WATER CONNECTIONS		T&P HGT	GAS SUPPLY	AIR INLET/ EXHAUST	APPROX SHIP.	
NUMBER	-	PER HR.)	DIA.	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G	WEIGHT	
PGC 34-130-2NV OR 2PV	34	130	2 OR 3	48-1/2	22	15-3/4	40-1/2	41	6-3/8	5-1/2 / 6 -5/8	150	
PGC 50-130-2NV OR 2PV	50	130	2 OR 3	62-3/8	22	15-3/4	54-1/2	55	6-3/8	5-1/2 / 6 -5/8	176	
PGC 34-150-2NV OR 2PV	34	150	2 OR 3	48-1/2	22	15-3/4	40-1/2	41	6-3/8	5-1/2 / 6 -5/8	150	
PGC 50-175-3NV OR 3PV	50	175	3	63-3/4	22	15-3/4	55-3/4	56-1/4	6-3/8	5-1/2 / 6 -5/8	180	
PGC 50-199-3NV OR 3PV	50	199	3	63-3/4	22	15-3/4	55-3/4	56-1/4	6-3/8	5-1/2 / 6 -5/8	180	
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