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# Important Safety Instructions

## READ AND FOLLOW ALL INSTRUCTIONS.

### **DANGER -- Risk of accidental drowning:**

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

### **DANGER -- Risk of injury:**

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

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

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

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

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

Replace a damaged power cord immediately.

Do not bury the power cord.

Connect to a grounded, grounding-type receptacle only.

### **WARNING -- To reduce the risk of injury:**

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

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

The use of alcohol, drugs or medication before or

during spa use may lead to unconsciousness, with the possibility of drowning.

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

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

### **HYPERTHERMIA DANGER:**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS.**

# Preparing for Your New Portable Spa

## Pre-Delivery Checklist

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

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

## Planning the Best Location

### Safety First

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

### Consider How You Will Use Your Spa

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

### Plan for Your Environment

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

### Consider Your Privacy

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

### Provide a View with Your Spa

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

### Keep Your Spa Clean

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

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

### Allow for Service Access

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

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

## Preparing a Good Foundation

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

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

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

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

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

If you are installing your spa on an elevated wood deck or other structure, it is highly recommended that you consult a structural engineer or contractor to ensure the structure will support the weight of

150 pounds per square foot (732 kg / m2).

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



## 240 Volt Electrical Installation

All 240V spas must be permanently connected (hard wired) to the power supply.

**Use one 50 amp GFCI with four #6 AWG copper wires. See the wiring diagram on page 5.**

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

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

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

**Failure to comply with state and local codes**

**may result in fire or personal injury and will be the sole responsibility of the spa owner.**

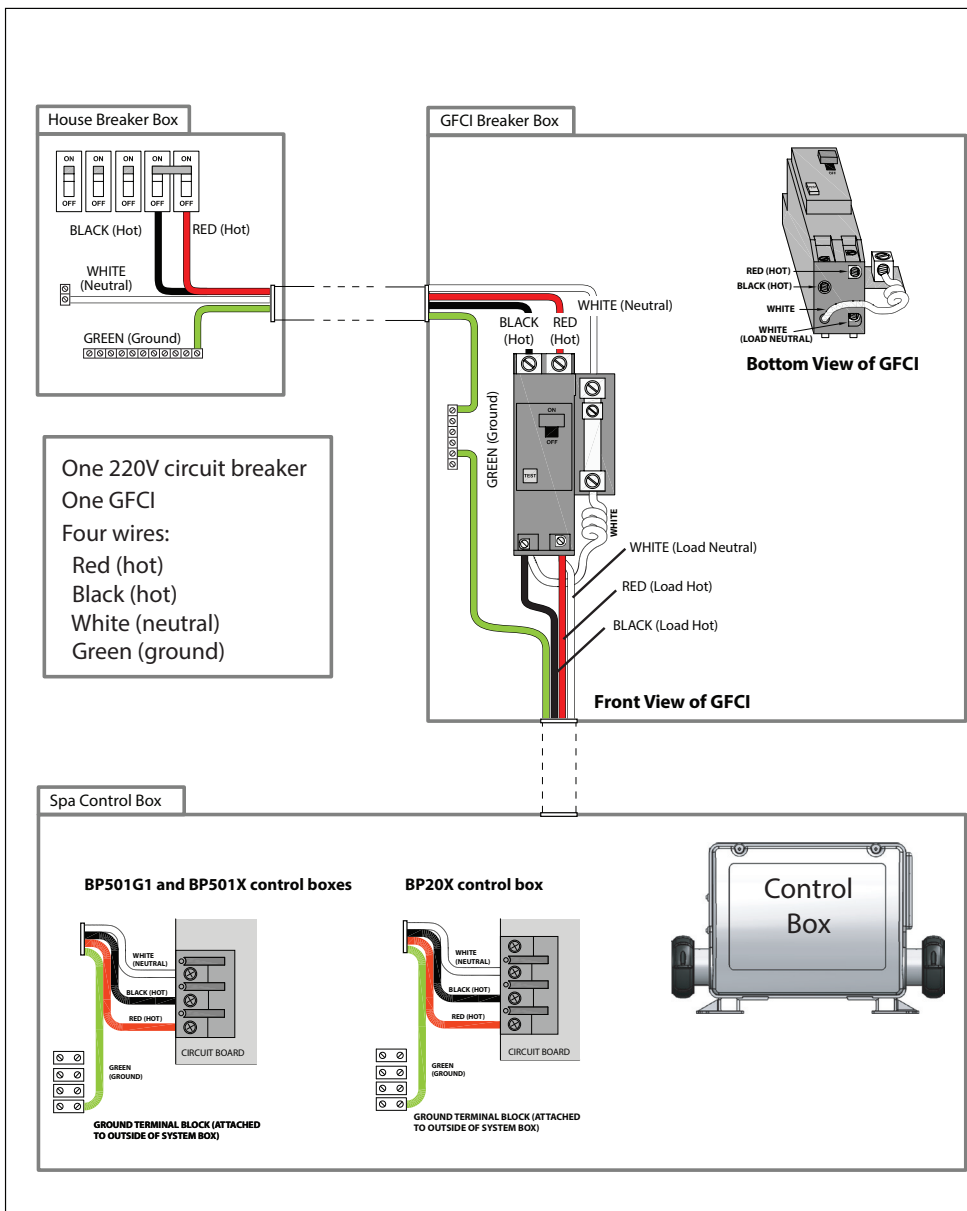
The power supplied to the spa must be on a dedicated GFCI protected circuit as required by NEC 70 with no other appliances or lights sharing the power.

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

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

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

## GFCI Wiring Diagram



## Testing the GFCI Breaker

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

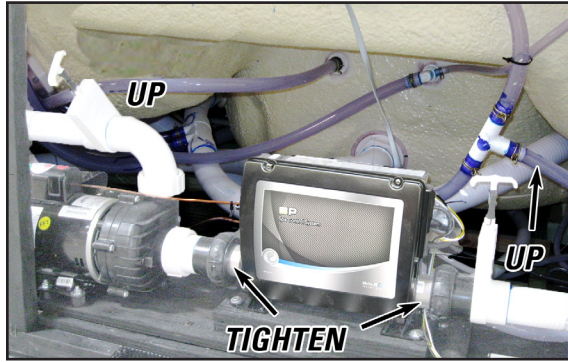
1. Press the TEST button on the GFCI. The GFCI will trip and the spa will shut off.
2. Reset the GFCI breaker by switching the breaker to the full OFF position, wait a moment, then turn the breaker back on. The spa should have power again.

# Filling and Powering Up Your Portable Spa

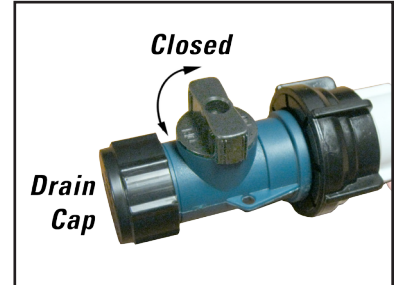
This applies to all spa owners **EXCEPT** those with the Cal Clarity II bromine generator. See instructions on page 27 for bromine generator operating instructions and spa filling procedures.

## 1. Inspect the spa equipment.

Inspect all plumbing connections in the equipment area of your spa.



- Make sure unions in the equipment pack are tight. (Be careful not to over-tighten the plumbing fittings.)
- If your spa has gate valves, make sure they are all in the UP or OPEN position.
- Make sure the drain valve is closed and capped. (See page 32 for a description of drain valves.)



**!** Never run the spa with the gate valves closed or without water circulating for long periods of time.

## 2. Remove the cartridge from filter canister.



Unscrew the cartridge and remove it.

**!** After you remove the filter, remove the plastic wrapper and soak it in water for 30 minutes before you replace it. A dry filter can allow air into the filtration system which can cause the pump to fail to prime.

## 3. Fill the spa.

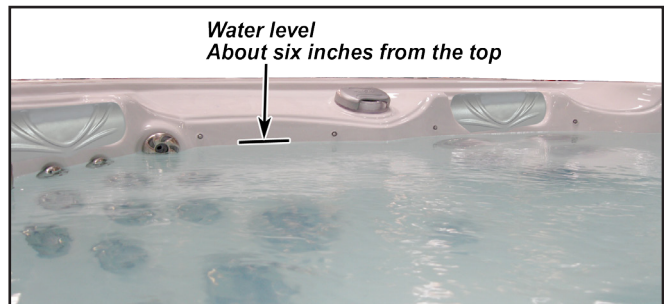


Place a garden hose in the filter canister and fill your spa with **regular tap water** about six inches from the top.

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

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

**!** **Never fill your spa with soft water.** Soft water makes it impossible to maintain the proper water chemistry and may cause the water to foam, which will ultimately harm the finish of the spa and void your warranty.





#### 4. Turn on power to the spa.



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

#### 5. Prime the pump.



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

Do the following:

1. Press the JETS or JETS 1 button once to start the pump in low speed.
2. Press it again to switch the pump to high speed.
3. If you have other pumps, press JETS 2 or JETS 3 to turn them on also.

Running the pumps helps the pumps prime.

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

#### 6. Install the filter into the filter canister.



Make sure the filter has soaked at least 30 minutes before you install it.

#### 7. Adjust water chemistry.


Test and adjust the water chemistry. See the section on page 22 for instructions on water clarity.

#### 8. Let the spa heat up.

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

## Priming the Pump

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



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

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

### Starting Up: Priming Mode

After the initial start-up sequence, the spa will enter Priming Mode, which lasts 4 to 5 minutes. Depending on your control panel, one of the messages shown at right will appear.



As soon as the Priming Mode screen appears on the panel, press the Jets or Jets 1 button once to start Pump 1 in low speed and then again to switch to high speed. Also, select the other pumps, to turn them on. The pumps should be running in high speed to facilitate priming.

Priming Mode

If the pumps have not primed after two minutes, and water is not flowing from the jets in the spa, do not allow the pumps to continue to run. Turn off the pumps and repeat the process. Note: Turning the power off and back on again will initiate a new pump priming session.

Sometimes momentarily turning the pump off and on will help it to prime. Do not do this more than five times. If the pumps will not prime, shut off the power to the spa and call for service.

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

### Exiting Priming Mode

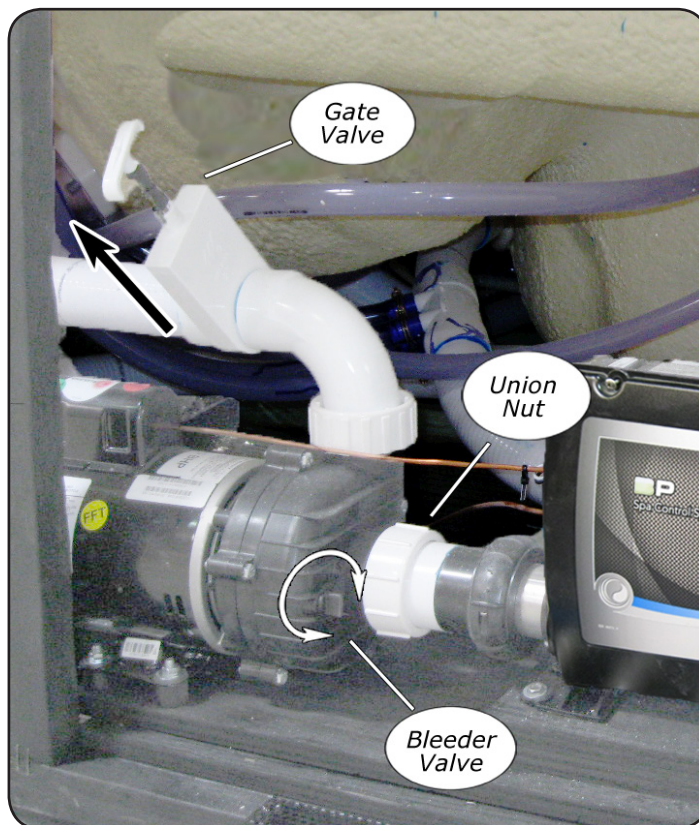
You can manually exit Priming Mode by pressing an Up or Down button. Note that if you do not manually exit the priming mode as described above, the priming mode will be automatically terminated after 4 to 5 minutes. Be sure that the pumps have been primed by this time.

Once the system has exited Priming Mode, the top-side panel will momentarily display the set temperature but the display will not show the temperature yet. This is because the system requires approximately one minute of water flowing through the heater to determine the water temperature and display it.

## Bleeding Air from the Pump

If you have tried priming the pump several times unsuccessfully using the control panel, you can bleed the air from the pump manually.

1. Shut off the power to the spa.
2. Using a Phillips screwdriver, remove the front panel from the spa and locate the pump.
3. Close the gate valve on the discharge side of the pump (if your spa is installed with one.)
4. Turn the bleeder valve counter clockwise with a small pair of pliers until the air has been released from the pump.
5. If this is unsuccessful, loosen the union nut on side of the pump with channel locks. When air is bled out, tighten the nut.
6. Turn on power to the spa and press the JETS button. If there is still air trapped in the pump, repeat steps 2 through 5 until the pump primes.



# Operating Your Spa

## TP800 Control Panel Operation



### The Main Screen

#### Spa Status

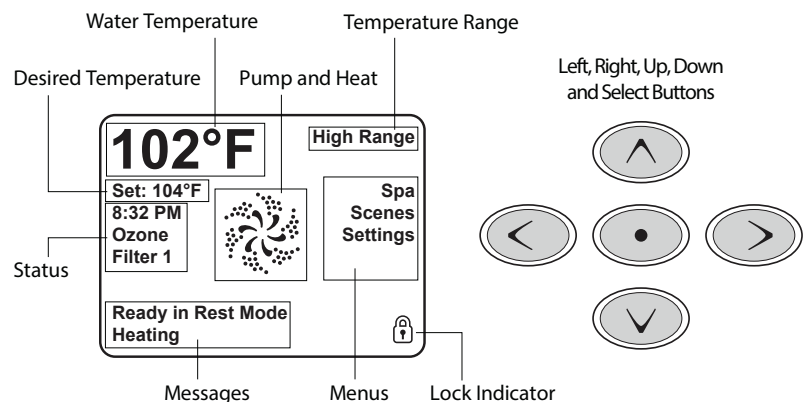
When the spa has finished priming, you will see the Main Screen. Important information about spa operation can be seen quickly from the Main Screen. The most important features can be accessed from this screen.

- The actual water temperature can be seen in large text and the desired, or Set Temperature, can be selected and adjusted.
- Time-of-day, ozone operation and filter operation status are shown, along with other messages and alerts.
- Temperature Range (High or Low) is indicated in the upper right corner.
- A Lock icon is visible if the panel or settings are locked.

#### Navigation

There are four selections you can make on the Main Screen:

**Set temperature** - Press the left arrow button to change the Set Temperature number to white. The



Set Temperature can then be adjusted with the up and down buttons. Pressing the Select button or the Right Arrow button will save the new set temperature.

**Menu selections** - The three menu choices on the right, **Spa**, **Shortcuts**, and **Settings**, can be selected and the screen will change to show more detailed controls or programming functions. They will be discussed further in this section.

#### Messages

At the bottom of the screen, messages may appear at various times. Some of these messages must be dismissed by the user (see page 14).

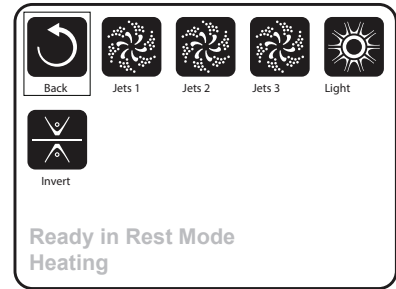
### Spa Screen

The Spa Screen shows all available equipment to control, as well as other features, like Invert, in one easy-to-navigate screen. The display shows icons that are related to the equipment installed on a particular spa model, so this screen may change depending on the installation.

The navigation buttons are used to select an individual device. The device that is chosen is highlighted with a white outline and the text under the icon changes to white. Once a device is selected, it can be controlled using the center Select Button.

Some devices, like pumps, may have more than one ON state, so the icon will change to reflect the state that the equipment is in. Below are some examples of 2-speed Pump indicators.

If the Spa has a Circ Pump, a Circ Pump Icon will appear to indicate its activity, but outside of Priming Mode, the Circ Pump cannot be controlled directly. NOTE: The icon for the pump that is associated with the heater (Circ or P1 Low) will have a red glow in the center when the heater is running.

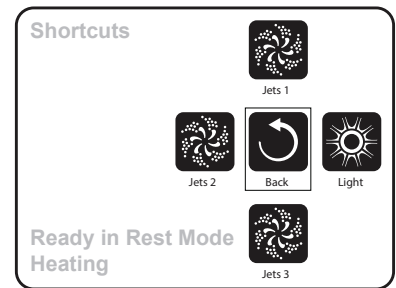


### Shortcut Screen

The Shortcut Screen requires no navigation.

Each button is fixed on a specific function and can be used as a very simple user interface for the spa.

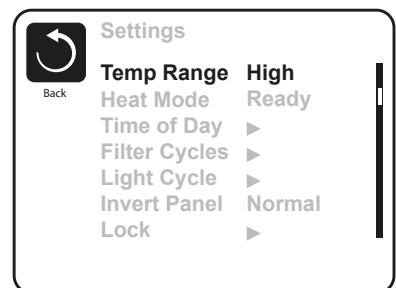
Each button function is illustrated in the display and mapped according to the manufacturer's instructions.



### Settings Screen

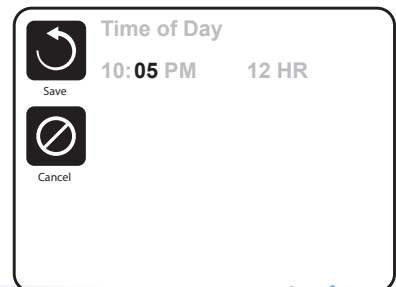
The Settings Screen is where all programming and other spa behaviors are controlled.

This screen has several features that can be acted on directly. These features include Temp Range, Heat Mode, and Invert Panel. When one of these items is highlighted, the Select Button is used to toggle between two settings. All other menu items (with an arrow pointing to the right) go to another level in the menu.



### Setting Time of Day

Setting the time of day is important for determining filtration times and other background features. "Set Time" will appear on the Main Screen if no time of day is set.

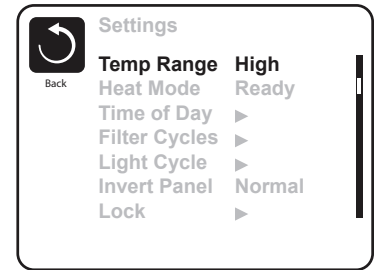


## Setting Dual Temperature Ranges

This system incorporates two temperature range settings with independent set temperatures. The specific range can be selected on the Settings screen and is visible on the Main Screen in the upper right corner of the display.

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

High Range can be set between 80°F and 104°F. Low Range can be set between 50°F and 99°F. More specific Temp Ranges may be determined by the Manufacturer. Freeze Protection is active in either range.

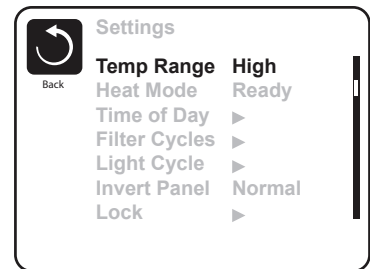


## Selecting Heat Modes – Ready vs. Rest

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

The heater pump can be either a 2-speed pump (Pump 1) or a circulation pump. If the heater pump is a 2-Speed Pump 1, Ready Mode will circulate water every 1/2 hour, using Pump 1 Low, in order to maintain a constant water temperature, heat as needed, and refresh the temperature display. This is known as “polling.”

Rest Mode 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. While Pump 1 High can be turned on and off, Pump 1 Low will run until set temperature is reached, or 1 hour has passed.



### Freeze Protection

If you live in an area that experiences extreme freezing weather, you need to know how to set your spa to prevent freeze damage. Some spa owners choose to drain and winterize their spas, but others prefer to keep it filled and operating. If you don't want to drain your spa, you can continue to run it safely through the winter, providing you program it correctly.

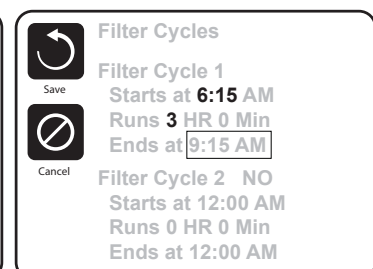
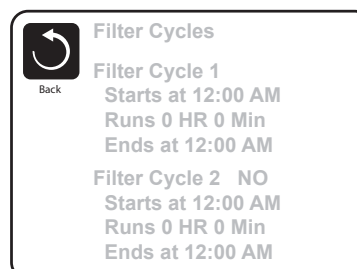
When you expect the temperature to approach freezing, always keep the spa in READY Mode. As long as the spa is in READY Mode, it will regularly check the water temperature (known as “polling”) and circulate water every 1/2 hour.

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

## Setting Filter Cycles

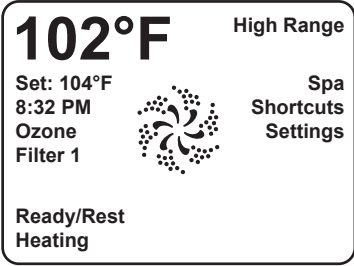
Filter cycles are set using a start time and a duration. Each setting can be adjusted in 15-minute increments. The panel calculates the end time and displays it automatically.

Filter cycle 2 is off by default, but can be selected for use if desired.



### Ready-in-Rest Mode

READY/REST appears in the display if the spa is in Rest Mode and the Jets 1 Button is pressed. It is assumed that the spa is being used and will heat to set temperature. While Pump 1 High can be turned on and off, Pump 1 Low will run until set temperature is reached, or 1 hour has passed. After 1 hour, the System will revert to Rest Mode. This mode can also be reset by entering the Settings Menu and changing the Heat Mode.



### Circulation Mode

If the spa is configured for 24HR circulation, the heater pump generally runs continuously. Since the heater pump is always running, the spa will maintain set temperature and heat as needed in Ready Mode, without polling. In Rest Mode, the spa will only heat to set temperature during programmed filter times, even though the water is being filtered constantly when in Circulation Mode.

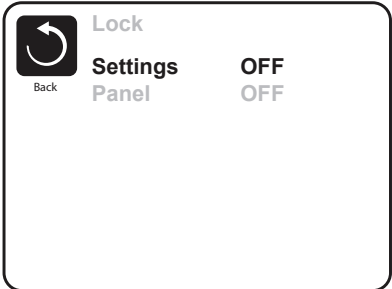
### Locking and Unlocking the Control Panel

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

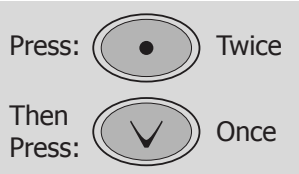
Locking the Settings allows jets and other features to be used, but the set temperature and other programmed settings cannot be adjusted.

When settings are locked, there is a reduced selection of menu items. These include Set Temperature, Invert, Lock, Utilities, Information and Fault Log. They can be seen, but not changed or edited.

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



**Locking and Unlocking** -- Use the navigation buttons from the Lock Screen. The Lock and Unlock Sequence is the same for both Panel Lock and Settings Lock.



### Additional Settings

#### Light Cycle

If Light Cycle does not appear in the Settings Menu, the light timer feature is not enabled by the manufacturer. When available, the light timer is OFF by default. The settings can be edited the same way as filter cycles.

#### Invert Panel

Selecting Invert Panel will flip the display and the buttons so the panel can be easily operated from inside or outside the hot tub.

#### Hold

Hold Mode is used to disable the pumps during service functions like cleaning or replacing the filter. (See page 25 for instruction on cleaning the filter.)

Hold Mode will last for 1 hour unless the mode is exited manually.

#### Utilities

This menu feature is for system information only and is used mainly for repair and troubleshooting.

### Preferences

This allows you to set the following preferences for system operation:

- Change the temperature between Fahrenheit and Celsius
- Change the clock between 12-hour and 24-hour display

- Turn periodic reminded (like "CLEAN FILTER") on or off

### Information

This menu feature is for system information only and is used mainly for repair and troubleshooting.

## Diagnostic Messages

Message	Meaning
---F - ---C	Water temperature is unknown. After the pump has been running for one minute, the temperature will be displayed.
Possible freezing condition	A potential freeze condition has been detected. All water devices are activated. In some cases, pumps may turn on and off and the heater may operate during Freeze Protection. This is an operational message, not an error indication.
The water is too hot	The system has detected a spa water temp of 110°F (43.3°C) or more, and spa functions are disabled. System will auto reset when the spa water temp is below 108°F (42.2°C). Check for extended pump operation or high ambient temp.
Water flow is low	There may not be enough water flow through the heater to carry the heat away from the heating element. Heater start up will begin again after about 1 min. See "Flow Related Checks" below.
Water flow has failed	There is not enough water flow through the heater to carry the heat away from the heating element and the heater has been disabled. See "Flow Related Checks" below. After the problem has been resolved, you must press any button to reset and begin heater start up.
The heater may be dry	Possible dry heater, or not enough water in the heater to start it. The spa is shut down for 15 min. Press any button to reset the heater start-up. See "Flow Related Checks" below.
The heater is dry	There is not enough water in the heater to start it. The spa is shut down. After the problem has been resolved, you must clear the message to restart heater start up. See "Flow Related Checks" below.
The heater is too hot	One of the water temp sensors has detected 118°F (47.8°C) in the heater and the spa is shut down. You must clear the message when water is below 108°F (42.2°C). See "Flow Related Checks" below.
Sensors are out of sync	The temperature sensors MAY be out of sync by 2°F or 3°F. Call for service.
Sensors are out of sync -- Call for service	The temperature sensors ARE out of sync. The fault above has been established for at least 1 hour. Call for service.
Sensor A Fault, Sensor B Fault	A temperature sensor or sensor circuit has failed. Call for service.
Communications error	The control panel is not receiving communication from the System. Call for service.
°F or °C is replaced by °T	The Control System is in Test Mode. Call for service.

### Flow-Related Checks

Check for low water level, suction flow restrictions, closed valves, trapped air, too many closed jets and pump prime. On some systems, even when spa is shut down by an error condition, some equipment may occasionally turn on to continue monitoring temperature or if freeze protection is needed.

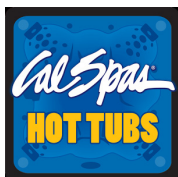


## Cal Spas Hot Tub Wi-Fi App

The Cal Spas Hot Tub Wi-Fi app can provide you with instant access and control of your spa wherever you connect within the spa's Wi-Fi range. This optional feature is available for use with any smart device (Android™ or iOS™ systems only). You must have the Wi-Fi module installed in your spa in order to use the app. It is only available for spas with the BP501 or BP2000 control box.

Spa owners who do not have this feature installed on their spa at the factory can order it as an after-market item.

### Installing the app

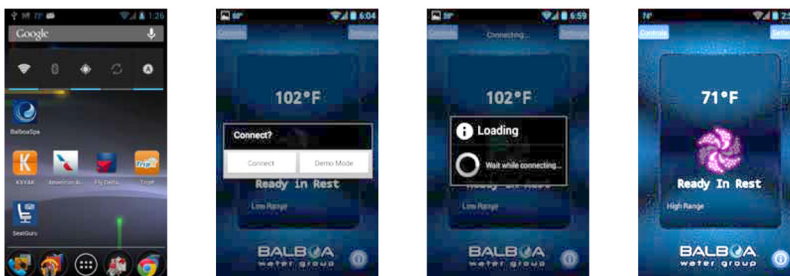


Go to the Apple app store or Google Play and search for the free spa app using the key words "Cal Spas Hot Tub." Select the app. The icon for the app will appear on your device as shown at left.

**Make sure you enable Wi-Fi on your phone before you run the app.**

On the Wi-Fi connections screen on your device, a network will appear called "BWGSpa\_XXXXXX\_". (The x's represent the Wi-Fi module's local address and is unique for every spa.) Once you are connected to the network, start the Cal Spas app and follow the prompts on the screen. (Your start screen maybe different.)

1. Tap the app button on the main screen of your device.
2. Connect to the spa's Wi-Fi signal.
3. When connected, you will be taken to the main app screen.
4. You are now directly connected to your hot tub and can control all the hot tub functions via the app.



### Troubleshooting connection problems

You should have few problems connecting with the Wi-Fi app. However, if you are unable to connect quickly and easily to the spa's Wi-Fi source, try doing the following.

- Enable Wi-Fi on your device. This is the most likely reason you may not be able to connect to the app. Check your devices Wi-Fi settings and try connecting again.
- Power cycle the spa. Shut off power to the spa for 30 second and turn it back on. Wait until the spa has gone through its complete set-up routine before you try to connect with the Wi-Fi app.
- Wait until the spa has completely primed. When you turn on the spa, it will go through a priming routine, which is followed by temperature polling, where no temperature is shown on the control panel. As soon as a temperature appears, you can connect with the Wi-Fi app.
- If you use your home network router, it MUST be close enough to the spa in order for the spa's Wi-Fi signal to reach the router. If you have connectivity problems, you may need to relocate your router closer to your spa or consider adding a wireless signal booster to your router.

## Connecting to a Device or Network

### 1 Direct connection

Range: About 20 feet  
Range limit: Limited to the range of the wi-fi module



#### HOW TO CONNECT TO IT:

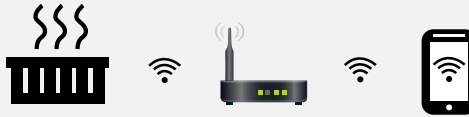
Install the app on your phone or device -- see the following section "Installing the app".

### 2

#### Through home network with no internet access

##### Allows one local connection at a time

Range: About 50 feet  
Range limit: Limited to the range of your home router's signal



#### HOW TO CONNECT TO IT:

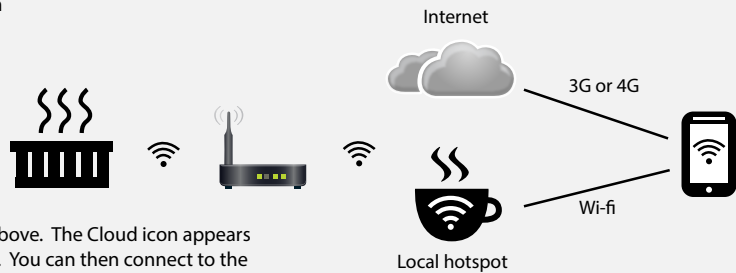
1. Install the app on your phone or device.
2. Exit the app and go to wi-fi settings on your phone or device.
3. Select and enable your local router.
4. Start the app. After you connect, select Settings on the home screen.
5. On the Settings screen, select Advanced, then on the Advanced screen, select Wi-fi Settings.
6. On the Wi-fi screen, select WPA. Then select the name of your home router from the drop-down menu.
7. Enter the SSID and Key for your router, then tap Save and select OK twice.
8. Close the app and re-start it to connect to your home network.

### 3

#### Through a network with internet access, using Cloud connection or other hotspot connection

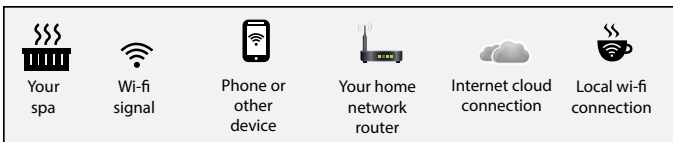
##### Allows unlimited simultaneous connections

Range: Worldwide  
Range limit: Limited to 3G / 4G / hotspot availability



#### HOW TO CONNECT TO IT:

Follow connection instructions from section (2) above. The Cloud icon appears automatically when network connection is made. You can then connect to the spa's wi-fi module.



## Cloud Service

Cal Spas Wi-Fi can be used as a point to point remote control to be added to any home network free of charge. Those using the Cloud to access spa control from nearly anywhere in the world via the Internet will enjoy one year Cloud service free of any access charge. After the initial year of Cloud service, the user will receive a notice from the Cloud provider requiring a small charge for each continuing year of Cloud service. At the time of this publication, the annual fee for this service is \$24. Once your device is paired and connected, all sounds from your device will be played through the spa's optional sound system, including system sounds and telephone messages. The Wi-Fi package contents are pictured below.



Cal Spas app



Cal Spas WiFi Module  
Part # ELE 50350-04



1 Year of Cloud  
Remote Access\*

\* You will receive a notification approximately 45 days prior to the end of the expiration of your Cloud access with instructions on how to renew.

## For More Information

If you have any trouble connecting, you can find more in-depth instructions at the Balboa Water Group web site at [www.balboawatergroup.com/bwa](http://www.balboawatergroup.com/bwa) and download the PDF document "Setting Up Your Wi-Fi".

There are also installation and setup videos at [www.youtube.com/user/balboawatergroup](http://www.youtube.com/user/balboawatergroup).

## Electrical Power Efficiency

Your new spa comes equipped with an electric heater. Following the directions listed below will ensure the most efficient operation:

NOTE: This method is only for spa usage under two hours a week.

- Keep the spa's operating temperature 5°F below the desired usage temperature when not in use. One or two hours before use, set the temperature to the desired temperature.
- If the spa usage exceeds two hours a week, the set temperature should remain at the desired usage temperature.
- The air venturis should be used sparingly. When open, water temperature drops quite rapidly and can also dissipate chemicals.

Allowing the water temperature to lower more than 10°F below the desired usage temperature and reheating it prior to usage will cause the heater to operate longer than it normally would maintaining the desired temperature. Doing this will increase your operating cost and makes your heater work more than necessary.

## Jets

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

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



## LED Lighting

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

The LEDs operate in three modes:

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

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

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

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

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

## Diverter Knobs

Diverter knobs are 1" and 2" knobs located around the top of your spa. They allow you to divert water through jets from one side of the spa to the other, or in most cases from floor jets to wall jets. This is accomplished by rotating the diverter knob to the left (counterclockwise), decreasing the amount of water flow through a section of jets. To increase the amount of water flow through the other section of jets, rotate the handle to the right (clockwise).



## Air Venturis

Air venturis are the 1" knobs located around the top of your spa. Each one will let you add a mixture of air with the jet pressure. This is accomplished by rotating the air venturi knob to the left (counterclockwise) to increase the amount of airflow through the jets. To decrease the amount of airflow through the jets, rotate the handle to the right (clockwise).



## Waterfalls

Some spa series include optional waterfalls. When the booster pump is on, rotate the dial on top (for the cascade waterfall) or turn the knob (for the hydro streamer -- see below).



## Adjustable Therapy System

### Pump On / Off Button

Press this button once to turn on the ATS pump. The POWER ON light on the control panel will appear. Press this button a second time to turn off the ATS pump. The ATS pump must be on before you can use any other features of this system.

### Pulse Mode Button

Press this button once to turn on the Pulse Mode. The first time it is pressed, the orange LED in position number 1 will light, indicating the number one pulse mode. Each press of either the **Up** or **Down** button will move the orange LED up or down to the next pulse mode. There are seven pulse modes in all. See the image at right.

Allow one second between each button press. Pressing the button quickly may cause improper operation. To turn the Pulse Mode off and return to normal pump operation, press the **Pulse Mode** button a second time.








### Up / Down Buttons

As described above, these buttons allow you to cycle through seven massage modes. Each mode offers a different pulsating massage. Some modes are faster than others, so just cycle through them to find the massage you like best.

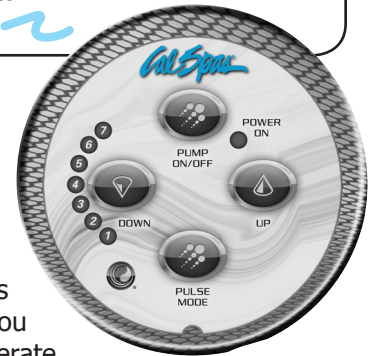
### Time Reset

Pulse Mode will normally run for 15 minutes then automatically shut off. For another 15-minute session, press the **Pump On / Off** button and the **Pulse Mode** button. A light will blink and the pump will run on high-speed mode as part of a 15-minute cool down period. After that, the pump will stop automatically and the LED light on the panel will continue to blink

### Pulse Modes

- 7 Gentle & powerful alternating bursts  

- 6 Quick powerful, continuous bursts  

- 5 3 gentle bursts followed by 1 vigorous burst  

- 4 Swift rolling bursts  

- 3 Accelerated continuous bursts  

- 2 Medium continuous burst  

- 1 Low rolling bursts  


for one minute then shut off automatically. After the second 15-minute session, the system will run through a cool down cycle for up to two hours. In this cool down mode, the you will only be able to operate the pump (by again pressing the **Pump On / Off** button). However, the massage mode will remain off until the cool down mode is completed.



### Resetting Pulse Mode

Pulse Mode will shut off for two hours unless reset. During this time the pump will run at a maximum speed. To reset Pulse Mode, press the **Pump On / Off** to turn off the ATS pump, the press the **Pulse Mode** button once. The power light will flash to indicate Pulse Mode has been reset.

# Aquatic Air Therapy™ (AAT)

## AQUATIC AIR THERAPY™ JETS

The Aquatic Air Therapy™ (AAT) Jets in conjunction with the massage ring provides a massage therapy experience for sore muscles or aching joints (Available only in select areas of spa).



### FLEX JET™

The Flex Jet™ delivers a gentle but strong stream of water to more delicate areas of the body including wrists, joints and extra sensitive muscles. Experience immediate alleviation from the massage ring included on the Flex Jet™.



### DUO JET™

The Duo Jet™ is perfect for larger parts of your body including lower back, legs and shoulders. Place your back on the the Duo Jet™ for a complete rehabilitating massage therapy experience.



### PRECISION JET™

The Precision Jet™ emits the perfect combination of air and water to target specific problematic areas while a soft massage ring provides relief on contact. Relieve muscle tension and soreness with the Precision Jet™.



### AAT AIR CONTROL

The Aquatic Air Therapy™ has its own dedicated Air Control that allows you to adjust the air flow precisely to create your total spa therapy experience.



Ultimate Feet Therapy

# Water Clarity

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

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

## The Key to Clear Water

Excellent water quality is a simple matter of four things:

### Chemical Balance

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

Depending on your choice of sanitizer, you need to test the level of calcium hardness, total alkalinity, and pH. Spa owners with a Cal Clarity II bromine generator also need to check total dissolved solids and phosphates.

See page 23 to learn how to balance your spa water.



### Filtration

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

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

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

See page 25 for filter cleaning instructions.

### Sanitation

Sanitizers kill bacteria and viruses and keep the water clean. A low sanitizer level will allow microbes to grow quickly in the spa water. We recommend using either chlorine or bromine as your sanitizer.

Spa owners with an ozonator also need to add sanitizer, although their requirements are different.

See page 24 to learn how to use sanitizer.

The Cal Pure Salt System bromine generator does NOT require sanitizer. See page 27 for a description of its use.

### Regularity

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

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

See page 29 for the schedule of recommended maintenance.



## Testing and Adjusting Spa Water

You have two types of testing methods to choose from:

- **The reagent test kit** is a method which provides a high level of accuracy. It is available in either liquid or tablet form.
- **Test strips** are a convenient testing method commonly used by spa owners.

### Balancing the Total Alkalinity

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

**The recommended total alkalinity is 80 - 120 ppm.**

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

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

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

### Balancing the Calcium Hardness

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

**The recommended calcium hardness is 150 - 200 ppm.**

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

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

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

### Balancing the pH

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

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

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

### Ideal Water Chemistry

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

## Sanitation

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

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



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

Whichever plan you decide on, follow it completely and don't take shortcuts. It will provide you with clean, safe, clear spa water with a minimum of effort. Spa owners with an ozonator still need to use a chemical sanitizer. See page 26 for a description of how the ozonator works.

*Do not use a sanitizer with the Cal Pure Salt System bromine generator. See page 27 for instructions on its use.*

### Using Chlorine as a Sanitizer

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

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

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

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

Follow the maintenance schedule on page 29.

### Using Bromine as a Sanitizer

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

Use granulated sodium bromide to establish your bromine base.

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

Follow the maintenance schedule on page 29.

### Shocking the Water

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

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

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

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

*Do not use shock with the Cal Pure Salt System bromine generator. See page 27 for instructions on its use.*

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

## Bather Load

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

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

## Filter Cleaning

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

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

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

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

**Set the spa in Hold Mode before you remove the filter. Hold Mode pauses all spa operations for 60 minutes for service functions like cleaning or replacing the filter. See page 13 for instructions on using Hold Mode.**

### Cleaning the filter

1. Remove the filter by unscrewing it and pulling it up and out.
2. Place the dirty filter into a bucket of water deep enough to cover the filter. Add 8 oz. of liquid filter cleaner to the bucket of water.

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

3. Soak the filter for a minimum of 24 hours.
4. Spray the filter with a water hose. Spray each pleat carefully.
5. Reinstall the filter. Do not overtighten.

## Pure Cure™ Water Sanitizer

The Pure Cure™ water sanitizer is an optional water purification system installed at the factory. It eradicates germs in the water that are resistant to chlorine-based chemicals using high intensity UV light. Although the water sanitizer works automatically with your spa, you will still need to test for chlorine or bromine and occasionally replenish it to return the sanitizer level to the baseline.

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

For spas with a circulation pump, the water sanitizer will run with the circulation pump.

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

See instructions for setting filtration cycles on page 12.

The water sanitizer is virtually maintenance-free. Once a year the UV light needs to be replaced. See page 35 for instructions. **However, the water sanitizer is not a user-serviceable item and maintenance must be performed by a spa technician. Have your service technician consult the manufacturer's instruction and service manual.**

## Ozonator

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

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

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

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

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# Bromine Generator

The bromine generator automatically generates and releases free bromine into the spa water. You will still need to test for bromine and occasionally adjust it to return the bromine level to the baseline.

## Start-up/Operating Instructions

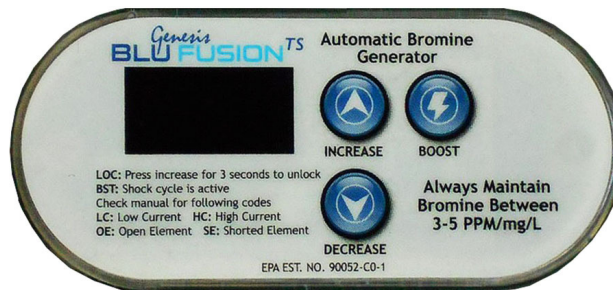
Be certain that you start with a clean spa. It should be free of contaminants and other residues that can accumulate on the sides and/or around the jets. It is also important to only use spa cleaning products that have **no phosphates** or phosphonic acids since phosphates will deplete free bromine and are super-food for algae. Always start your spa with a clean filter before filling with water.

If the water source is "well water" or a non-municipal water source, have your water tested for Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) and metals. Water with high TDS is likely to have higher metal content and will need a metal remover to decrease the metals and ensure a successful start. This test can be done by your local spa dealer. The ideal range for your start-up TDS is between 50 and 200 ppm - mg/L. If TDS from your source water is above 500 ppm, a metal remover is strongly recommended.

### DO NOT FILL THE SPA WITH SOFT WATER.

- Using your PURE FILL Spa Pre-Filter, fill your spa with water to the recommended level (six inches below the lip of the spa) and **DO NOT FILL WITH WATER FROM A "RESIDENTIAL WATER SOFTENER."**
- Before starting the system, balance your water chemistry to ensure a successful start up. Ideal ranges are as follows:

	Ideal Range	
	Minimum	Maximum
pH	7.2	7.6
Total alkalinity	80 ppm	120 ppm
Calcium hardness	150 ppm	250 ppm
Phosphates	0 ppb	30 ppb



Use the phosphate test kit included with your system. Bromide residuals will be significantly reduced if phosphate levels are high. If phosphates are detected, purchase a phosphate remover and follow the directions accordingly. **Any** phosphates in your spa will reduce bromine levels.

- Determine the level of "NaBr" (Sodium Bromide) required for your spa size. NaBr should be added at a rate of 1.2 lbs per 100 gallons or approximately 1300-1500 ppm.

**Example:** For a 500 gallon spa add approximately 6 lbs of NaBr. **1.2 lbs x (5) 500 gallons = 6lbs NaBr.**

- Turn the jets on high speed. Sprinkle the NaBr across the surface of the water to evenly distribute the NaBr in the spa and circulate for 30 minutes.
- Test the Sodium Bromide concentration with the Tru-Blu NaBr test kit. The correct amount of NaBr will secure a reading of between 1300-1500 ppm.
- Adjust the filtration time to circulate for 8 hours every 24 hours on a 2 speed pump.
- For a spa between 300-500 gallons, start at a power level of "6" and then press the "boost" feature. This will accelerate the production of bromine for 8 hours. Wait for proper bromine levels before entering the spa.
- Always keep your bromine level between 3-5ppm. Test the bromine level after 24 hours and adjust the power setting accordingly. An occasional heavier bather load may require the "boost" feature.

## Maintaining the Bromine Level

Always keep your spa or hot tub water in balance. Maintaining the pH and the alkalinity is part of being a spa owner.

The bromine generator requires you to determine your power setting based upon your circulation time and your spa usage. It requires a minimum of eight hours of circulation per day. If the spa is not circulating, the bromine generator is not generating bromine. If you find that you are having trouble maintaining the desired level, make sure the spa is circulating the required amount.

A spa that is frequently used will require a higher power setting. If you have a bromine reading that is too high or too low, adjust the **DECREASE / INCREASE** control accordingly. Depending on the amount usage, circulation time, and type of spa, each spa owner's setting will be different.

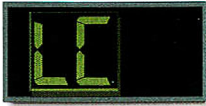
The bromine generator can go up to 12 months before a drain and fill is required, unlike non-equipped spas that require it every three months. This is because the bromine generator does not add unwanted chemical bi-products like traditional chemicals do.

Sodium bromide is not the only contributor to the TDS count in your water. Over time, the TDS count in your water will rise (from such things as residuals from other chemicals and minerals, and unfilterable material). Test the TDS every few months to make certain it stays within range.

Shower prior to entering any hot tub or spa. This will help prevent phosphate contamination and reduce the demand on the bromine.

Shocking your tub is recommended after heavy bather load.

## Intelligent Controller Codes for the Bromine Generator



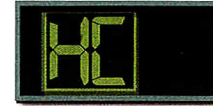
**LC** (Low Conductivity) will appear when the unit detects that the conductivity is below the minimum level. At start-up, you will experience this if you have not added the Sodium Bromide. Check the Sodium Bromide level in the water and add the appropriate amount per your spa. If the NaBr level is correct, the cell may be experiencing scaling. In this case, you will want to clean the cell. Please consult with your spa dealer for further information.



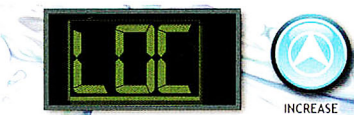
**bSt** (Boost) will appear when the BOOST feature is on. Depressing this key once will increase the bromine production to twice that of the last bromine production setting for the next *accumulated eight hours of pump circulation time*. The BOOST cycle should be depressed after heavy bather load or usage.



**OE** (Open Element) will appear if the system controller is unable to detect a connection to the electrode cell. You may see this if the electrode is not connected properly, there is inadequate water flow, or the cell is not functioning due to unknown circumstances. This may require that the cell be evaluated and possibly cleaned of scale build-up or even replaced. If this happens, please consult with your spa dealer.



**HC** (High Current) will appear when the TDS (Total Dissolved Solids) is too high resulting in High Current at the electrode cell. If this reading appears at or near start up of your system, check your source water for TDS and proper NaBr readings. If this reading appears after an extended period of operation, draining 25% of the water and refilling can help reduce TDS levels. If "HC" remains present, consult with your spa dealer for a comprehensive water analysis and recommended course of action.



**LOC**: Press increase for 3 seconds to unlock

**LOC** (Locked) Your TopSide controller includes a "LOC" feature which ensures that the system is "Locked" when not being utilized to manage your Spa's water. Your system will automatically produce bromine when necessary. This feature is simply for your protection. In order to "Unlock" simply depress the "increase" key on your unit for 3 seconds.

## Maintenance Schedule

<b>Each time you refill the spa</b>	Follow the section "Filling and Powering Up Your Portable Spa" on page 6.
<b>Prior to each use</b>	Test the spa water using either test strips a reagent test kit. Adjust chemical levels as necessary.
<b>Once a week</b>	Test the spa water using either test strips a reagent test kit. Adjust chemical levels as necessary.  If your water source is high in calcium, add stain and scale preventer.
<b>Once a month</b>	Deep clean your spa's filter. (Follow filter cleaning instruction at beginning of this section)
<b>Every two to four months</b>	Change the spa water. How often you change the water depends on how much you use the spa. When you change the water, you will need to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clean and polish the acrylic surface (see page 34)</li> <li>• Clean and treat the spa cover and pillows (see page 34)</li> <li>• Deep clean the filter (see page 25)</li> <li>• Refill your spa (see page 6)</li> </ul>
<b>Once a year</b>	Replace filter cartridges if the pleats appear frayed.  If you use the Cal Pure UV water sanitizer, you will need to replace the UV lamp (see page 35 for UV lamp maintenance)

## Troubleshooting Water Clarity Problems

Problem	Probable Causes	Possible Solutions
Cloudy Water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dirty filter</li> <li>• Excessive oils / organic matter</li> <li>• Improper sanitization</li> <li>• Suspended particles / organic matter</li> <li>• Overused or old water</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clean filter</li> <li>• Shock spa with sanitizer</li> <li>• Add sanitizer</li> <li>• Adjust pH and/or alkalinity to recommended range</li> <li>• Run jet pump and clean filter</li> <li>• Drain and refill the spa</li> </ul>
Water Odor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Excessive organics in water</li> <li>• Improper sanitization</li> <li>• Low pH</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shock spa with sanitizer</li> <li>• Add sanitizer</li> <li>• Adjust pH to recommended range</li> </ul>
Chlorine Odor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chloramine level too high</li> <li>• Low pH</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shock spa with sanitizer</li> <li>• Adjust pH to recommended range</li> </ul>
Musty Odor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bacteria or algae growth</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shock spa with sanitizer – if problem is visible or persistent, drain, clean and refill the spa</li> </ul>
Organic buildup / scum ring around spa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Buildup of oils and dirt</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wipe off scum with clean rag – if severe, drain the spa, use a spa surface and tile cleaner to remove the scum and refill the spa</li> </ul>
Algae Growth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High pH</li> <li>• Low sanitizer level</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shock spa with sanitizer and adjust pH</li> <li>• Shock spa with sanitizer and maintain sanitizer level</li> </ul>
Eye Irritation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Low pH</li> <li>• Low sanitizer level</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adjust pH</li> <li>• Shock spa with sanitizer and maintain sanitizer level</li> </ul>
Skin Irritation / Rash	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unsanitary water</li> <li>• Free chlorine level above 5 ppm</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shock spa with sanitizer and maintain sanitizer level</li> <li>• Allow free chlorine level to drop below 5 ppm before spa use</li> </ul>
Stains	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Total alkalinity and/or pH too low</li> <li>• High iron or copper in source water</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adjust total alkalinity and/or pH</li> <li>• Use a stain and scale inhibitor</li> </ul>
Scale	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High calcium content in water – total alkalinity and pH too high</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adjust total alkalinity and pH – if scale requires removal, drain the spa, scrub off the scale, refill the spa and balance the water</li> <li>• Use a stain and scale inhibitor</li> </ul>



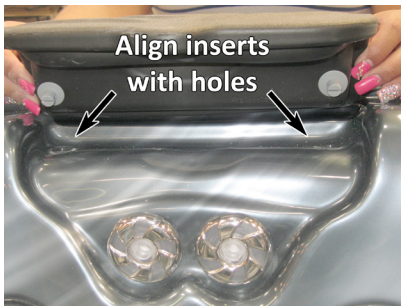
# Cleaning and Maintenance

## Removing and Reseating the Pillows

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

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

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

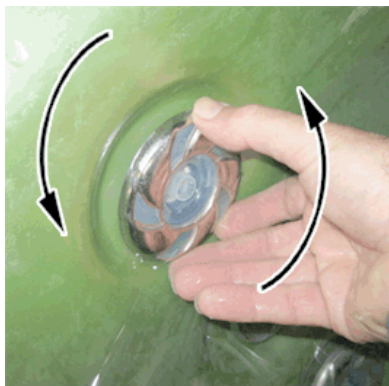


## Jet Removal and Replacement

Jets can be easily removed for cleaning.

Grasp the outer rim of the jet and turn it counter-clockwise until it completely stops. You may feel it slightly loosen pop out a bit from the fixture. Pull the jet out from the jet fixture. The jet will be very snug and may require some force to remove it. **DO NOT PRY OUT JETS.**

To replace the jet, place it in the fitting and turn it clockwise until it snaps in and can be rotated freely about half a turn.



## Spa Cover

Important! Keep the spa covered when not in use!

- Covered spas will use less electricity in maintaining your set temperature.
- Covering your spa will protect your spa's finish from the sun's ultraviolet rays.
- You are required to keep the spa covered to maintain warranty coverage.
- Covering your spa helps prevent children from drowning in the spa.

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

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

## Draining Your Portable Spa

Your spa should be drained every four to six months for cleaning and maintenance and refilled with fresh tap water. See page 34 for instructions on cleaning the shell, cover, and pillows. See page 6 for instructions on refilling your spa. Before you begin, turn off power to the spa at the breaker and remove all filters.

### 1. Locate your drain.

Pull the knob out of the cabinet. The cabinet drain is screwed into the drain pull knob.



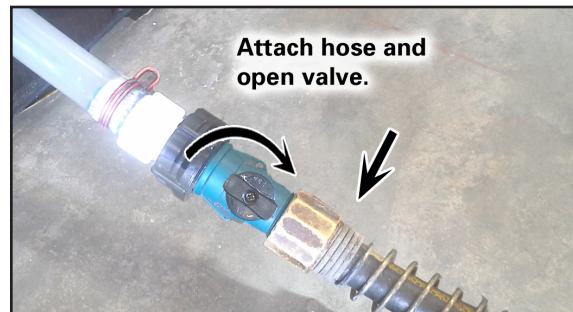
### 2. Remove the cap

Make sure the valve is in the closed position, then unscrew and remove the cap. Unscrew the cap.



### 3. Connect valve to a garden hose.

Attach a garden hose to the hose-bib fixture. Place the other end of the garden hose where you would like the water to drain.



### 4. Drain the spa.

Turn the valve on the hose-bib fixture to open the drain. When the spa has drained completely, turn the valve on the hose-bib fixture, remove garden hose, and replace the cap.

## Winterizing (Cold Climate Draining)

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

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

1. Open all filter covers.
2. Remove the filter baskets and filters.
3. Drain your spa completely as described in the instructions above.
4. Vacuum water from the spa's main drain fitting with a wet/dry vacuum.
5. Open the bleeder valves on the pumps.
6. For spas with the UV lamp chamber mounted flat on the equipment floor:  
Loosen the quartz tube nut at the top of the UV lamp chamber and pull up the quartz tube to let the water drain from the UV lamp chamber.
7. Disconnect the unions from both sides of the pump.
8. Blow any remaining water out of the jets and equipment area with the wet/dry vacuum.
9. When it has completely finished draining, replace the quartz tube in the UV lamp chamber and retighten the nut. Close the bleeder valves and re-connect the unions on the pumps. Replace the filter baskets and filters.
10. Cover your spa with a good spa cover and an all-weather tarp to ensure that neither rain nor snow enters the spa.

## Cleaning and Replacing the Filter

Filtration is one of the most important steps you can take to ensure clean, clear water. It is far less expensive to fix water clarity problems by filtering your spa than by using excessive amounts of chemicals, excessive filtration times, or by water replacement.

See the section "Filter Cleaning" on page 25 for more information.

## Vacation Care

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

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

1. Select the Low Range temp choice used for vacation mode. (See instructions on page 12 for vacation setting.)
2. Following the water quality instructions starting on page 22, adjust the pH.
3. Shock the water (add either chlorine or bromine sanitizer).
4. When you return, check and adjust the pH and shock the water.

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

## Cleaning Your Spa

### Spa Cover and Pillows

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

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

### Spa Shell

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

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

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

## Changing the UV Lamp

**CAUTION: Always turn off power to the spa at the GFCI prior to any maintenance.**

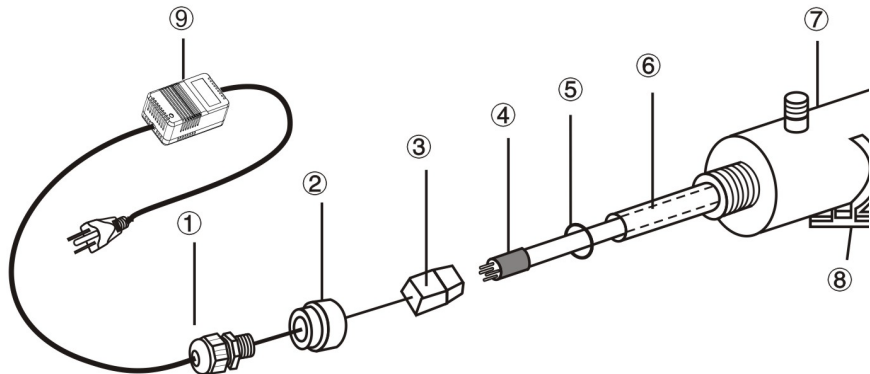


Note: Periodically you should check the light on the transformer for the UV light system. The transformer is mounted in the spa equipment area close to the system control box. When it is operating normally, the light will be green. When it requires maintenance, it will be red. This usually happens when the UV lamp needs replacing. The UV lamp is a wearable part that needs replacing about once a year.



1	Water-proof strainer
2	Aluminum nut
3	Lamp socket and lead wire
4	Germicidal UV lamp
5	Rubber O-ring
6	Quartz thimble
7	Chamber
8	Clip
9	Ballast

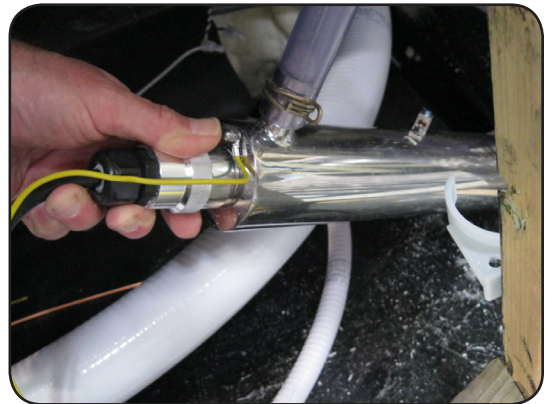
See page 40 for part numbers for replacement parts.



### To remove the UV lamp

1. Disconnect power.
2. Turn water off and open down stream of system to relieve pressure.
3. Cut the tie wrap that attaches the UV lamp chamber to the spa frame.
4. Remove the water-proof strainer (1) and unscrew the aluminum nut (2).
5. Pull out the lamp (4) approximately 2" from the chamber (7).
6. While holding the lamp end, remove the lamp socket (3) from the end now exposed.
7. Remove the lamp from the chamber.
8. Remove the O-ring (5) from the end of the quartz thimble (6).
9. Remove the quartz thimble.

To reinstall the replacement UV lamp, follow these steps in reverse.



When replacement UV lamp has been installed, conduct a final leak check:

1. Restore power to the spa at the GFCI.
2. Turn on the pump and let water run for five minutes to check for leaks.

## Using the Digital Media Locker

The Aquatic AV digital media locker is fully integrated with your Cal Spa. It will accommodate any digital device, such as iPhones, smart phones, and MP3 players, that is USB or Bluetooth capable.

The docking station comes with its own owner's manual. It describes parts included, installation, and proper use. Owners of this system must read the manufacturer's instructions prior to operating this unit. The instructions are shipped inside the docking station behind the remote control.

The instructions contained in this manual describe only basic functions. See the manufacturer's operating instructions for other features and functions.

Although the media locker features a locking door with

seals, it is **water resistant** and **NOT waterproof**. You must take every precaution to keep the interior of the media locker dry.

- Make sure that hands are dry before coming in contact with the media locker.
- Always CLOSE AND LOCK the protective door.

See page 39 for instructions on protecting the media locker from water damage. **Water damage caused by negligence or improper use is not covered under warranty.**

**Note: The digital media locker comes with a remote control and does NOT INCLUDE an MP3 player such as an iPod.**

### Aquatic AV AQ-DM-3B Media Locker

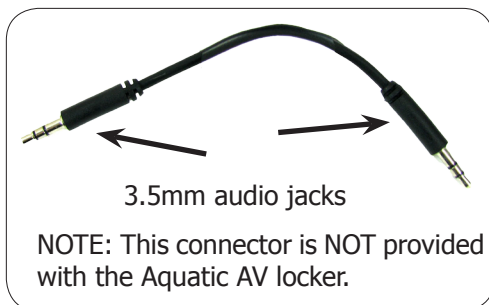
The Aquatic AV docking station has very basic features. It will play any audio device with a 3.5mm headphone plug. **This device does not use a remote and does not offer Bluetooth connectivity.**

The device requires a short connector (NOT PROVIDED) with two 3.5mm connector jacks that attach from your audio device to the inside of the locker.

To open the locker, slide the latch up to unlock the door.

Press the power button inside the locker. The red LED will turn on.

Plug a 3.5mm connector into your audio device and to the inside of the locker.



Use the velcro strap to keep your device secure inside the locker while it is in use.

While your audio device is in the locker, close the door and slide the lock to keep it secure and water tight. If this is done properly, it will protect your audio device.

The front panel has basic controls for controlling the audio only. All other functions, such as track selection, must be controlled from your audio device.




# Aquatic AV AQ-DM-5UBT Media Locker


## Synchronizing (Pairing) the Remote Control with the Media Locker

Before you can use the remote control with the docking station, they need to be synchronized, or paired. Follow the simple instructions below.


1 Before you begin, make sure the docking bay is **OFF**. If the red **Power** light inside the docking bay is on, press it once to turn it off.



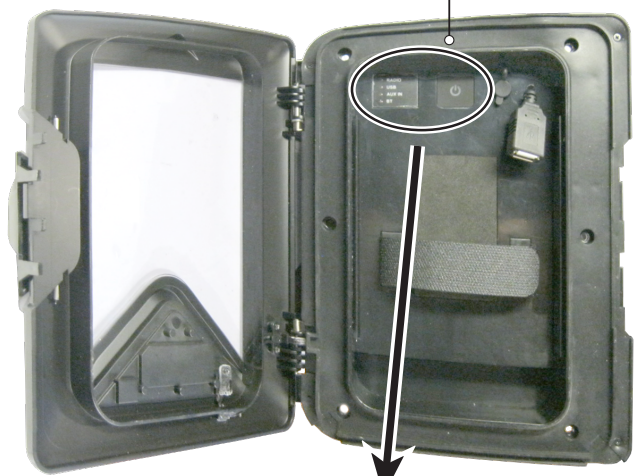
2 Press the red **Power** button on the remote.



3 Press and hold the **Mode** button on the remote. The display on the remote will read PAIR.



4 While still holding the **Mode** button, press and hold the **Power** button inside the docking station for **five seconds**.



The display on the remote will read WELCOME or show a mode position such as RADIO.



When the remote and docking bay are paired, the power button light will turn blue.

The media locker shown in this instruction is model AQ-DM-5UBT, although this pairing instruction can be used with earlier Aquatic AV media lockers that use a remote control. Model AQ-DM-3B does not require a remote and does not need to be paired in order to function.



AQ-DM-5UBT

### If you have trouble pairing the devices:

- Re-read the instructions and follow them carefully. You may have missed an important detail.
- Make sure the red power light inside the docking bay is OFF before you begin.
- PRESS and HOLD the **Mode** button on the remote until it reads PAIR. Do not release the **Mode** button.
- Do not press the **Power** button inside the docking station until the remote reads PAIR.
- Press and hold the **Power** button for **NO MORE** than five seconds. Otherwise, the devices will not pair.

If they do not pair the first time, repeat these four steps until it is successful.

## Listening to Devices

There are three ways to connect your device to the media locker: With the USB connection, Bluetooth connection, and the auxiliary input.

### 1. Connecting via USB

The Aquatic AV digital media locker comes with one USB connector for Apple devices. If you have another kind of device, you will need to supply your own USB connector, such as the type shown below.



Apple USB connector



USB micro B connector

1. Attach your device to the USB cable inside the digital media locker using the appropriate USB connector.
2. Secure the device with the anchor straps.
3. Close and lock the media locker's protective door.
4. Press **POWER** on the remote control or Power button on the locker to turn it ON.
5. Press **MODE** on the remote control to select USB mode. Use the buttons as shown in the remote function chart.

**Note: When USB devices are connected to the USB input, the device's battery will charge.**

#### Search for Songs and Playlists

##### Apple devices

1. Press **SEARCH** to enter iPod searching mode.
2. Once in searching mode, the remote will display 'Playlist'. Continue to press **SEARCH** to scroll through the search modes below:
  - 1) Playlist 2) Artist 3) Album 4) Song 5) Genre 6) Composer 7) Audio Book
3. Press **PLAY/PAUSE** To select the desired search mode.
4. Press **Volume UP/DOWN** to scroll through your media in the selected search mode.
5. Once you find the desired media, press **PLAY/PAUSE** to make your selection. If your selection is a song, it will begin to play. If you select a playlist,

artist, album, genre, composer or audio book, the songs in the selected folder will be visible. Press **PLAY/PAUSE** to play the desired song within the folder.

##### Other USB devices

1. Press **SEARCH** to enter the USB searching mode.
2. Press **Volume UP/DOWN** to scroll through the folders on your USB device. To select a folder, press the **PLAY/PAUSE** button.
3. Press **Volume UP/DOWN** to scroll through the songs in the folder and press **PLAY/PAUSE** to play the desired song.

### 2. Connecting via Bluetooth

1. Switch on your Bluetooth device.
2. Select 'AQUATIC AV' from the list of available devices to pair (no password is needed).

Only one Bluetooth device can be paired with the Digital Media Locker at any time.

Bluetooth mode will be activated once a Bluetooth device is linked. Play the song from device and the sound will play through the Digital Media Locker.

- Press **PLAY/PAUSE** to play or pause the song.
- Press **FAST REWIND** or **FORWARD** buttons to play previous/next song file.

Track and volume can be controlled directly from your Bluetooth device, remote control or door controls.

### 3. Connecting via Auxiliary Input

When you connect your device via the auxiliary input, you play media directly to the audio input of the media locker. The remote control can not control your device when it is connected through the auxiliary input. You will need a 3.5 mm audio connector as shown below.





1. Connect your MP3 device to the 3.5 mm jack input.
2. Secure the device with the anchor straps.
3. Close and lock the media locker's protective door.
4. Press **POWER** on the remote control or the **POWER** button on the locker to turn it ON.
5. Press **MODE** on the remote control to select 'AUX IN' mode.

Only one auxiliary input (3.5 mm jack) can be used at any one time.

### Listening to FM Radio

Press **MODE** on remote control to switch to FM radio mode. If this is the first time you listen to FM radio, the default frequency will be 87.5MHz, as shown on the remote LCD.

To scan or seek FM radio channels, press **FAST REWIND** or **FAST FORWARD** to seek another station. Press and hold either **FAST REWIND** or **FAST FORWARD** for manual tuning back or forward.

To save the current radio station into memory, press and hold the **1**, **2**, or **3** button for more than 2 seconds. The station will be stored to that button. Press the **1**, **2**, or **3** button to listen to the preset station.

### Closing and Locking the Door

Always **CLOSE** and **LOCK** the media locker door after you place or remove a media device inside it.

Slide the clasp down to lock the door as shown at right. Make sure the door is firmly pressed into the watertight seal before you slide the lock into place.

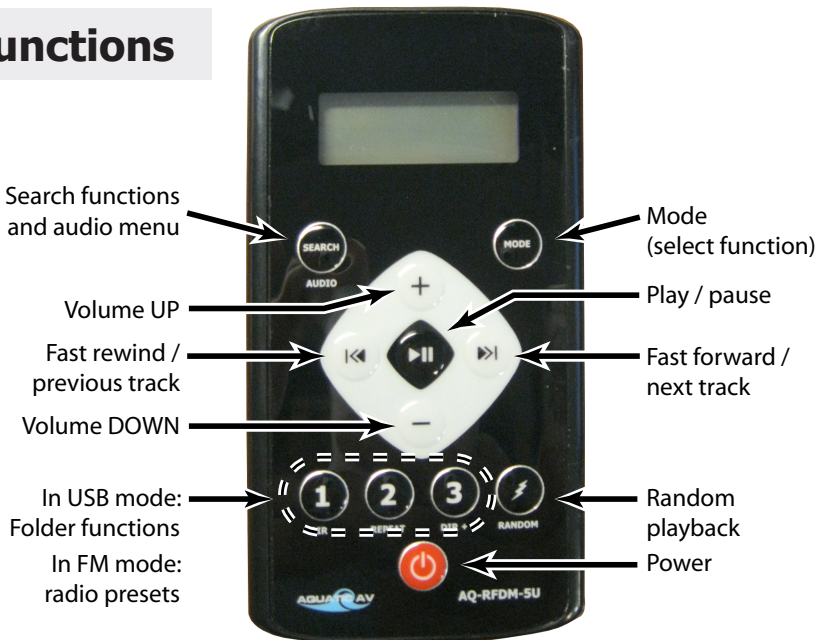


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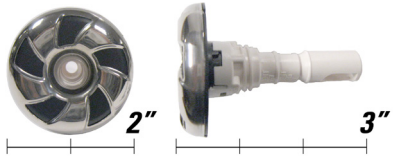
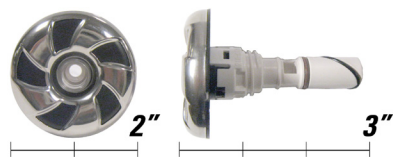


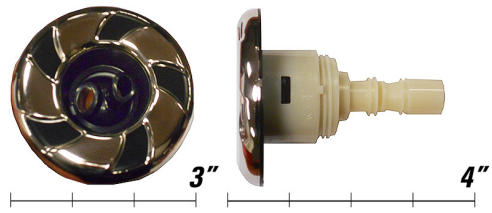
### Remote and Keypad Functions

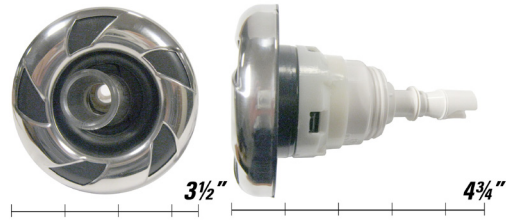
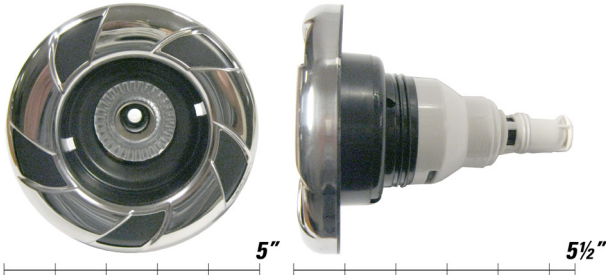
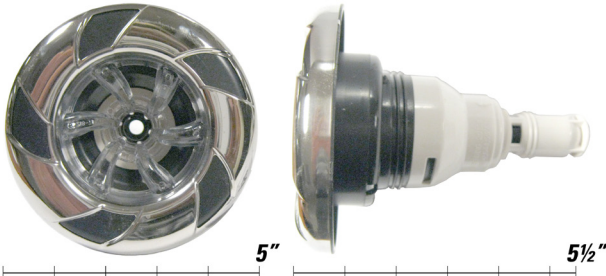
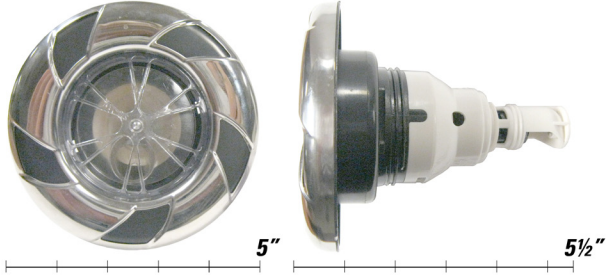
All of the functions on remote control and the keypad on the media locker's door are identical.

For a detailed description of all key functions, see the manual for the Aquatic AV media locker.



Replacement Parts

Jets Inserts	
<p><b>ED 2" Euro Directional</b> PLUCS2295051S</p> 	
<p><b>NJD 2" Directional Neck Jet 100% Shut Off</b> PLUCS2255041S</p> 	
<p><b>MED 3" XL Cluster Storm Directional</b> PLUCS2295031S</p> 	
<p><b>mfd 3" Micro Flow Directional</b> PLUCS2295061S</p> 	
<p><b>MM 3" Mini Storm Twin Roto</b> PLUCS2298061S</p> 	

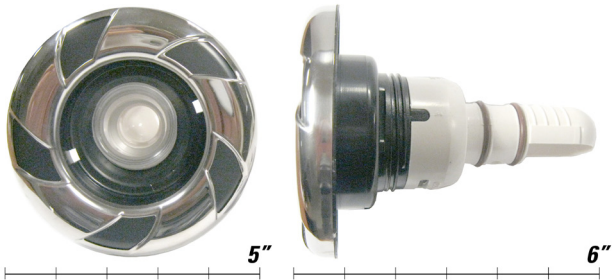
Jets Inserts	
<p><b>MFD 3.5" Maxi Flow Directional</b> PLUCS2295091S</p> 	
<p><b>PSD 5" Power Storm</b> PLUCS2295131S</p> 	
<p><b>PSR 5" Power Storm Riffed</b> PLUCS2295141S</p> 	
<p><b>PST 5" Power Storm Wagon Wheel</b> PLUCS2295191S</p> 	

Please visit [www.quickspaparts.com](http://www.quickspaparts.com) to order your replacement parts.

### Jets Inserts

#### T 5" Tornado Adjustable

PLUCS2295201S



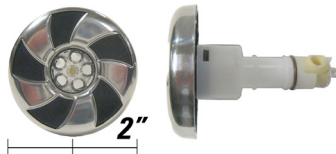
ET Cluster Storm Twin	PLUCS2295161S
MMP Mini Multi Massage	PLUCS2295171S
PSTR Power Storm Twin Roto	PLUCS2295181S
Rain Jet	PLU23028-292-00
Aquatic Air Poly-N	PLU23512-311-100
Aquatic Air BI-N	PLU23512-321-100
Aquatic Air TRI-N	PLU23512-331-100

### Jets Inserts - Snap-in SQR

**SQN candy cane, 2" neck jet, 100% shut-off**

**Candy cane w/clear center**

PLU29923-144-000



### Jets

#### Flex Jet

PLU23512-311-100



#### Duo Jet

PLU23512-321-100



#### Precision Jet

PLU2312-331-100



### Pillows

#### Cascade Pillow No Insert Black

ACC01401031



### Water Diverter Valves

#### Diverter Valve 2" Black/Titanium

PLU21300465



#### Diverter Valve 1" Black/Titanium

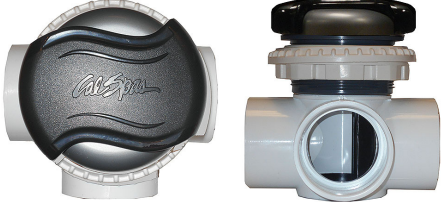
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**Water Diverter Valves**

**Diverter Valve 2" Horizontal** PLU21300467



**Air Control Valve**

**Air Control Black/Titanium**  
PLU21300504




**Aquatic Air Therapy (AAT) Air Control**  
PLU25059-211-00




**Waterfalls**

**Curved cascade waterfall assembly with logo**  
PLU21801030



**Waterfall Cascade**  
PLU21801037




**Accessories**

**Cup Holder** LIT25241-114-949




**Drains**

**Drain Super Hi Flo Suction 2 1/2" Black (640-3581LGV)**  
PLU21400146



**Low Profile Drain 3/4" Black (640-0511)**  
PLU21400401



**Filters**

**Filter Cartridge Anti-bacterial - 75 sq. ft.**  
FIL75-5D17H15FCT-3



**Filter Cartridge Anti-bacterial - 75 sq. ft.**  
FIL75-5D145H2OE-3



**DYNA FLO XTRA Lo-Pro 75 SQ. Ft.**  
**2" CV, 4 SCALLOP (less cartridge)**  
FIL11703305



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Pure Cure™ UV Water Sanitizer	
<b>Pure Cure complete system (Wonder PP-1)</b> LIT16000380	
<b>Germicidal UV lamp (T515)</b> LIT16000381	
<b>Rubber O-ring (D24.5)</b> LIT16000384	
<b>Quartz thimble (24.5X350)</b> LIT16000383	
<b>Ballast (UV-3)</b> LIT16000382	
<b>Clips</b> LIT16000385	

LED Lights	
<b>1-LED light string</b> LIT16100330	
<b>2-LED light string</b> LIT16100331	
<b>4-LED light string</b> LIT16100332	

LED Lights	
<b>1 to 3 ext. cord</b> LIT16100335	
<b>1 to 1 port ext. cord</b> LIT16100338	
<b>Interior light with logic (7 LED)</b> LIT16100333	
<b>Interior light without logic (7 LED)</b> LIT16100337	
<b>Main light housing, LED lens, fitting nut</b> LIT16100336	

**Replacement Cabinet Panels**

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

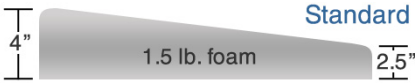
## Covers

All spa covers are designed with a tapered height, angling downward from the center to the sides to drive off rain and prevent water from pooling. The covers listed below are filled with either 1 lb., 1.5 lb., or 2.0 lb. foam.

### Standard

4" - 2.5"

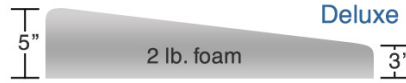
1.5 Lb. foam



### Deluxe

5" - 3"

2.0 Lb. foam



### 84" x 84" (7 foot spas)

Fits spa models: PL-760L, PL760B, PPL7L+, PPL7B

	Standard	Deluxe
Black	COV8484S53BK-BK-2	COV8484D53BK-BK-2
Gray	COV8484S53G-CC-2	COV8484D53G-CC-2
Slate	COV8484S53S-WN-2	COV8484D53S-WN-2

### 93" x 93" (8 foot spas)

Fits spa models: PL-860L, PL-861B, PL-880L, PL-881B, PPL8L+, PPL8B

	Standard	Deluxe
Black	COV9393S53BK-BK-2	COV9393D53BK-BK-2
Gray	COV9393S53G-CC-2	COV9393D53G-CC-2
Slate	COV9393D53S-WN-2	COV9393D53R-WW-2

## Basic Troubleshooting

The troubleshooting guidance provided here is intended to cover the most common problems a spa owner may encounter. For more in-depth troubleshooting, go to [www.calspas.com/troubleshooting](http://www.calspas.com/troubleshooting).

Symptom	Possible Solutions
<b>Problems starting up</b>	
Pump won't prime	See priming instructions on page 8.
Breaker keeps shutting off	Reset the GFCI breaker. If this continues, contact your dealer or a qualified spa technician.
<b>Power and system problems</b>	
System won't start up or breaker keeps shutting off	Power may be shut off. Turn on GFCI circuit breaker. If this continues, contact your dealer or a qualified spa technician.
Control panel doesn't respond	Turn on or reset the GFCI circuit breaker. If this does not solve the problem, contact your dealer or a qualified spa technician.  If you hear the pump running but the control panel doesn't respond, contact your dealer
Spa does not turn off	Spa may be trying to heat up. Check if spa is in Ready or Rest mode (see page 13)  In cold climates, if spa is not equipped with full foam or any kind of insulation, it will try to maintain the set temperature. Set the spa to low temperature range and set the temperature to 80°F.  Spa may be in filter cycle. If it is, this is normal and no adjustment is necessary.
Message on the control panel	There may be a problem. See Diagnostic Messages on page 14.
<b>Heat problems</b>	
Spa water does not get hot	Spa may be in low temperature range. Set the spa to high temperature range. The filter may be dirty or may need to be replaced. Clean or replace the filter. The water level may be too low. Fill the spa with water level at 4 to 6 inches from the top. The temperature is not turned up high enough. Raise temperature on topside control. Cover the spa. The cover will keep heat in the spa and help keep heat from escaping. Make sure cover is on at all times when spa is not in use. The heater element may be old, deteriorated, coated with scale, or defective. Contact your dealer for more assistance. The gate valves may be partially or completely closed. NEVER OPERATE YOUR SPA WITH THE GATE VALVES CLOSED!
Spa overheats - temperature greater than 110°F / 43°C	Overheating can occur during summer months and may not necessarily indicate a malfunction. When it occurs, a message code may also appear on the control panel.  Temperature may be set too high. Turn the set temperature down to a lower temperature.  Filtration time may be too long. Turn the filtration cycles down during the warm months.  The spa may not be properly ventilated. Make sure the front of the spa is not blocked to allow air flow.  High speed pumps may have been running too long. Limit pump running time to no more than 15 to 30 minutes.

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Symptom	Possible Solutions
<b>Water pressure problems</b>	
Low water pressure	<p>Jet valves may be partially or fully closed. Open the jet valves.</p> <p>Filter cartridge may be dirty. Clean or replace the filter.</p> <p>Pump may have airlock. Remove airlock by priming spa (page 8)</p> <p>The suction fittings may be blocked. Remove any debris that may be blocking them.</p> <p>The filter skimmer may be blocked. Remove the blockage.</p> <p>Gate valves may be closed. Open gate valves. Note: Never operate your spa with the gate valves closed!</p> <p>Spa may be running in filtration mode. Press JETS or JETS 1 button to turn on high speed pump.</p>
No water pressure (no water stream from any jets)	<p>Power may be switched off. Turn the power back on.</p> <p>The pump may be defective. After you have tried all other troubleshooting, contact your dealer for assistance.</p>
Jets surge on and off	Water level may be too low. Add water to normal level.
<b>Pump problems</b>	
Pump runs constantly – will not shut off	There may be a problem with circuit board. Contact your dealer.
Noisy pump	<p>The water level may be too low. Fill the spa with water level at 4 to 6 inches from the top.</p> <p>Filter cartridge may be dirty. Clean or replace the filter.</p> <p>Pump may have airlock. Remove airlock by priming spa (page 8)</p> <p>The suction fittings may be blocked. Remove any debris that may be blocking the suction fittings.</p> <p>Gate valves may be closed. Open gate valves. Note: Never operate your spa with the gate valves closed!</p> <p>Air may be leaking into the suction line. Contact your dealer for assistance.</p> <p>Debris may be inside the pump. Contact your dealer for assistance.</p> <p>Noise may be a sign of damage. Contact your dealer for service.</p>
Pump turns off during operation	<p>Automatic timer may have completed its cycle. Press JETS or JETS 1 button to start the cycle again.</p> <p>Pump may have overheated due to the vents on the equipment door being blocked. Make sure the front of the spa is not blocked to allow air flow.</p> <p>The pump motor may be defective. Contact your dealer for assistance.</p>
Pump has a burning smell while running	A burning smell may be a sign of damage. Contact your dealer for service.
Pump does not run	<p>Pump may have over heated. Let it cool for an hour and try operating the spa for a shorter time.</p> <p>Power to the spa may be shut off. Turn on or reset the GFCI circuit breaker. If this does not solve the problem, contact your dealer or a qualified spa technician.</p>



# LIMITED WARRANTY

This Limited Warranty is extended to the original purchaser of a Cal Spa brand portable spa manufactured after January 1, 2017 and installed for residential use in the United States of America and Canada. This warranty begins on the date of delivery of the spa, but in no event later than one year from the date of manufacture.

**Shell Structural** 10 years  
Warranted against water loss due to defects in the spa shell.

**Shell Finish** 7 years  
Warranted against blistering, cracking, or delaminating of the interior surface of the spa shell.

**Equipment and Controls** 5 years  
Electrical equipment components – specifically limited to the pumps, standard titanium heater, and control system – are warranted against malfunctions due to defects in workmanship or materials.

**Plumbing** 5 years  
Warranted against leaks due to defects in workmanship or materials.

**Cabinet - synthetic, fiberglass, or wicker** 5 years  
Warranted against defects in workmanship or materials. Normal wear and weathering of the finish will occur naturally over time and are not defects.

**Warranties for Other Components**

The fuses, headrests, cabinet finish, and filters are warranted to be free of defects in workmanship and material at the time of delivery. The factory installed water purification system is warranted against malfunction due to defects in workmanship or material for one year from the original date of delivery, except for the UV bulb and quartz tube, which are warranted for 90 days from the original date of the spa delivery. All stereo-related components (receiver, speakers, sub-woofer, stereo media locker, power supply, wireless remote control etc.) are warranted against malfunction due to defects in workmanship or material for one year from the original date of delivery. All other factory-installed components not mentioned specifically, including, but not limited to the wood frame, jets, diverter valves, LED lighting systems, filter lids, and mechanical components, are warranted against malfunction due to defects in workmanship and material for two years from the original date of delivery. The spa cover delivered with the spa is warranted for one year for Escape, Platinum, Fitness, and Special Edition spas, 90 days for Zone, Connect, and New Age spas.

**Genuine Cal Spas Parts & Accessories**

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

**Performance**

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

To obtain service in the event of a defect covered by this Limited Warranty, notify your Cal Spa dealer or Cal Spas as soon as possible and use all reasonable means to protect the spa from further damage. Upon proof of purchase, a designated service representative will correct the defect subject to the terms and conditions contained in this Limited Warranty. There will be no charge for parts or labor to repair the defect, although providing access to affect the repair is your responsibility as the spa owner. Freight charges for replacement parts is the responsibility of the spa owner. You may be assessed reasonable repairman travel mileage charges.

In the event that the spa is removed to a repair facility for repair and reinstalled, the cost of removal and reinstallation will be your responsibility as the spa owner. If the Manufacturer determines that repair of the covered defect is not feasible, it reserves the right to provide a replacement spa instead, equal in value to the purchase price of the original spa. In such an event, reasonable costs for removal of the original spa, shipping costs from the factory for the replacement spa and delivery and installation of the replacement will be your responsibility as the spa owner. The replacement spa will carry the balance of the original spa's warranty. Spa covers are not included.

This warranty ends either by specified time frame, owner-transfer, relocation, or installation of any component other than by manufacturer.

### **Warranty Limitations**

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

### **Limitations**

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

### **Disclaimers**

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

### **Legal Rights**

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



**Locating the product serial number**

The serial number of your spa is located on a metal plate attached to the inside of the door for the equipment area. You will need this number to properly register your spa and activate coverage. Write this information in the space provided below.

Spa Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Spa Serial Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Purchased: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Installed: \_\_\_\_\_

Dealer's Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Dealer's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

It is important that you register your Cal Spas product as soon as possible. By taking just a few quick minutes to register, you can enjoy product alerts, more efficient support, and quicker service. Go to [www.calspas.com/warranty](http://www.calspas.com/warranty).

