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FUEL TRANSFER PUMP 12VDC Model 98135

SET UP AND OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS



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Keep this manual for the safety warnings and precautions, assembly, operating, inspection, maintenance and cleaning procedures. Write the product's serial number in the back of the manual near the assembly diagram (or month and year of purchase if product has no number). Keep this manual and the receipt in a safe and dry place for future reference.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

In this manual, on the labeling, and all other information provided with this product:



This is the safety alert symbol. It is used to alert you to potential personal injury hazards. Obey all safety messages that follow this symbol to avoid possible injury or death.



DANGER indicates a hazardous

situation which. if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.

WARNING indicates a

hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.



CAUTION, used with the safety alert symbol, indicates a

hazardous situation which. if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury.

NOTICE

NOTICE is used to address practices not related to personal injury.

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the safety alert symbol, is used to address practices not related to personal injury.



WARNING! Read all instructions Failure to follow all instructions listed below may result in fire, explosion and/or serious injury.

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Installation safety

- 1. When connecting this Fuel Transfer Pump to a 12 Volt DC battery or power source, connect the negative wire, the positive wire and the ground wire. All three need to be connected securely before using this Pump.
- 2. Install the Fuel Pump according to the instructions in this manual. A risk of explosion may be created if some instructions are not followed.
- 3. This Fuel Transfer Pump has a builtin Check Valve Assembly (27) with pressure relief to prevent fluid thermal expansion from causing unsafe system pressure. DO NOT install additional check valves or foot valves during installation without proper relief valves built into them. Product damage may result.
- 4. Keep work area clean and well lit. Cluttered or dark areas invite accidents.

5. Use safety equipment. Wear ANSIapproved safety goggles, a dust mask/respirator (for fumes), and nonskid safety shoes during installation.

General/Operation Safety

- 1. **DO NOT SMOKE** while using this Fuel Transfer Pump. **DO NOT** use this pump near pilot lights, open flame, or sparks.
- 2. Keep multiple class ABC fire extinguishers nearby.
- 3. Before use, make sure to ground the Nozzle (54) to the neck of the tank/container being filled with fuel at all times. This will help prevent buildup of static electricity which can spark causing fire, and/or explosion and serious bodily injury or death.
- 4. Keep children and bystanders away while installing, operating, or maintaining this Fuel Transfer Pump.
- 5. Stay alert, watch what you are doing and use common sense when operating. Do not use while you are tired or under the influence of drugs, alcohol or medication. A moment of inattention while operating may result in serious personal injury.
- 6. Do not leave this Fuel Transfer Pump unattended while it is operating. Do not lock the Fuel Nozzle in open position.
- 7. This Fuel Transfer Pump is not a toy. DO NOT allow children to operate it.
- 8. Do not wear clothing made from synthetic fibers. There is danger from static electricity build up causing

sparks that could lead to fire or explosion.

- 9. Place empty containers on flat level ground before filling.
- 10. Use this Fuel Transfer Pump outdoors only.
- 11. DO NOT pump from or into a vehicle that is running. Turn off engine of fueled vehicle (and fueling vehicle) before hooking up nozzle or starting to pump.
- 12. Follow all local and state laws governing use of Fuel Pumps.
- This Fuel Transfer Pump should only be used for one fluid. This will ensure that different fluids will not contaminate one another and help to prevent unexpected reactions.
- WARNING: This product contains or, when used, produces a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm. (California Health & Safety Code § 25249.5, et seq.)
- WARNING: The brass components of this product contain lead, a chemical known to the State of California to cause birth defects (or other reproductive harm). (California Health & Safety Code § 25249.5, et seq.)
- The warnings, precautions, and instructions discussed in this instruction manual cannot cover all possible conditions and situations that may occur. It must be understood by the operator that common sense and caution are factors which cannot be built into this

product, but must be supplied by the operator.

Maintenance Safety

- Have your equipment serviced by a qualified repair person using only identical replacement parts. This will ensure that the safety of the equipment is maintained.
- 2. Maintain labels and nameplates on the pump. These carry important safety information. If unreadable or missing, contact Harbor Freight Tools for a replacement.



SPECIFICATIONS

| Application | Permanent Magnetic Motor pumps diesel, Kerosene, Light weight oils, water and anti- freeze* | |
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| Flow | Up to 10 Gallons Per Minute | |
| Duty Cycle | Continuous | |
| Voltage Required | 12 VDC, 23.5 A | |
| * Not for use with fluids that have a flashpoint below 100° F/38° C | | |

UNPACKING

When unpacking, check to make sure that the item is intact and undamaged. If any parts are missing or broken, please call Harbor Freight Tools at the number shown on the cover of this manual as soon as possible.

INITIAL SET UP INSTRUCTIONS

Read the ENTIRE IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION section at the beginning of this manual including all text under subheadings therein before set up or use of this product.

AWARNING

TO PREVENT SERIOUS INJURY FROM ACCIDENTAL

OPERATION: Turn the Power Switch of the pump to its "OFF" position and disconnect from power source before assembling or making any adjustments to the pump.

Note: For additional information regarding the parts listed in the following pages, refer to the Assembly Diagram near the end of this manual.

Assembly

Note: Use a gasoline- and oil-proof pipe compound (not supplied) on all joints.

- 1. Thread male end of Steel Elbow (39) into the Pump Housing (1). Tighten securely at this point.
- 2. Thread end of Hose (55) into female end of Steel Elbow (39). DO NOT tighten securely.
- 3. Thread Nozzle (54) to Hose (55). DO NOT tighten securely.
- 4. After making sure connections will fit, remove parts attached in step two and three until after Fuel Transfer Pump has been installed on tank,

barrel, or drum. When installed, attach parts as in steps two and three.

5. Wrench tighten all connections.

Functions

- 1. This Fuel Transfer Pump is compatible and may be used with the following fluids: Diesel, Kerosene, light weight oils, water and antifreeze. This Pump IS NOT compatible with, and should NEVER be used to pump: Acetone, Gasoline, Ammonia, Lacquer Thinner, Benzene, Bleach, Hydrochloric Acid, Ink or Toluene. NOTE: No other fluids should be used, but the "incompatible" fluids listed above can be especially dangerous. Not for use with fluids that have a flashpoint below 100°F/38°C.
- 2. Once used with a specific type of fluid, continue to use ONLY that fluid with this Pump (except for diesel flushing for storage). Using another fluid may lead to contamination or reaction between the fluids

General Installation and Connection Instructions

- Keep work area clean and well lit. 1. Cluttered or dark areas invite accidents.
- 2. Use safety equipment. Always wear ANSI-approved safety goggles. Safety equipment such as dust mask/respirator (for fumes), and non-skid safety shoes.
- 3. This Fuel Transfer Pump has a builtin Check Valve Assembly (27) with pressure relief to prevent fluid thermal expansion from causing unsafe REV 08h

system pressure. DO NOT install additional check valves or foot valves during installation without proper relief valves built into them.

- 4. Systems should be set up requiring a minimum amount of suction lift. The maximum vertical distance from the surface of the fuel inside the tank to the inlet of the Pump is 9 feet for gas and 10 feet for diesel.
- 5. A water separator (not supplied) should be used if you are going to pump diesel fuel.
- 6. A filter (not supplied) should be used at Pump outlet to insure that no foreign material is transferred to fuel tanks.

Attaching Fuel Transfer Pump to Tank or Barrel

- Tightly thread Suction Pipe (58) into the inlet flange (24) at the base of the Pump Housing (1). Thread the Suction Pipe Extension (59) to Suction Pipe (58).
- 2. Using a hack saw (not supplied), cut the Suction Pipe Extension (59) to a length within 3" of the bottom of the tank, barrel or drum. DO NOT rest the Suction Pipe Extension (59) on the bottom.
- 3. Screw the Inlet Flange (24) completely and securely into the tank, barrel or drum opening.
- Install the Hose (55) and Nozzle (54)
 See "Assembly Instructions" on page 6 of this manual.
- 5. Connect the Cable (60) that extends from the Cable Connector (53).

Make sure to connect the Ground Wire (51).

6. The tank, barrel or drum should be securely anchored to prevent accidental movement or tipping.

Attaching Fuel Transfer Pump to a <u>Vehicle</u>

- 1. **DO NOT** attempt to connect and power this pump to thin wiring from cigarette lighter.
- 2. NOTE: The Ground Wire (51) must always be independently connected to the frame or chassis of vehicle and/or container being fueled, or filled. For example, DO NOT connect green and black wires together. Unless the Fuel Transfer Pump and the fuel tank, barrel or drum are grounded to one another, sparking due to a static charge or wiring faults could possibly ignite fumes resulting in an explosion.
- 3. If this Fuel Transfer Pump is to be powered from a vehicle power system, it is recommended that permanent wiring and connections be made to the vehicle power system and include a 30 amp, slow blow fuse.

Connecting Fuel Transfer Pump

- Remove the Junction Box Cover (18) from the Motor Casing Assembly (6) and straighten wires to make the stripped wire ends accessible.
- Screw the furnished Cable Connector (53) into the Conduit Opening of the Motor Casing Assembly (6).

- 3. Strip 6" of the outer insulation covering the Cable (60) being careful not to damage the wire insulation.
- Pass the stripped end of the Cable (60) through the Cable Connector (53) until 2" of the unstripped wire is within the Motor Casing Assembly (6).
- Strip 1/2" of the insulation from the ends of the Cable (60). Connect these wires to the matching colored Pump Wires using wire nuts (not supplied).
- Fold all wires into the Motor Casing assembly (6) and replace the Junction Box Cover (18). Make sure all screws are seated so there is no space between the Junction Box Cover (18) and the Motor Casing Assembly (6).
- Run the Cable (60) to the 12 Volt DC battery or similar power source. Support the Cable (60) as necessary and protect it from heat, sharp edges or any other obstacle that could damage it.
- 8. Strip the outer Cable (60) covering as necessary. Make a secure connection to the tank, barrel, drum or vehicle with the Ground Wire (51).
- 9. NOTE: To determine if a vehicle system is negative (-) or positive (+), check the battery marking of the terminal that is wired to the vehicles frame or motor block. For vehicles with negative (-) ground, connect the negative (black) wire to the vehicle frame. For vehicles with positive (+) ground, connect the positive (red) wire to the vehicle frame.

- If attaching to a vehicle, attach one end of a 30 amp fuse holder to the end of the remaining wire. Connect the other end of the fuse holder to the ungrounded side of the power source. The battery terminal or the end of the battery cable is recommended.
- 11. Check all connections to make sure they are correct. Install the 30 amp fuse in the fuse holder.

OPERATION

| WARNINGThis Fuel Transfer Pump must be setup according to all "Installation and Connection" information on pages 6 thru 8 of this manual.To reduce build up of static electricity and possible fire and/or explosion, do not wear synthetic fibers while using this Fuel Transfer Pump. | |
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| Maintain nozzle contact with neck of container being filled to reduce static electricity buildup. | |
| On initial start-up it may be necessary | |

- On initial start-up it may be necessary to hold the Nozzle (54) open a few seconds to allow pump to prime.
- 3. Remove Nozzle (54) from Pump and insert into neck of tank, barrel, drum or fuel cell.
- 4. Begin fueling by squeezing lever on nozzle (54).
- 5. WARNING: The Pump Motor is equipped with thermal overload protection. If overheated, it will shut itself off without any damage to the electrical system. Be sure to turn off the Pump power if this occurs. As the Motor cools, it will start without warning if the power is left on.

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MAINTENANCE AND SERVICING

Procedures not specifically explained in this manual must be performed only by a qualified technician.

AWARNING TO PREVENT SERIOUS INJU

SERIOUS INJURY FROM ACCIDENTAL OPERATION: Turn OFF the power to the Fuel Transfer Pump before any inspection or maintenance is performed.

TO PREVENT SERIOUS INJURY FROM PUMP FAILURE:

Do not use damaged equipment. If abnormal noise, vibration, or leakage occurs, have the problem corrected before further use.

Cleaning, Maintenance, and Lubrication

- 1. **BEFORE EACH USE,** inspect the general condition of the Pump. Check for loose screws, loose or broken electrical wiring, and any other condition that may affect its safe operation.
- Maintain labels and nameplates on the pump. These carry important safety information. If unreadable or missing, contact Harbor Freight Tools for a replacement.
- 3. **AFTER USE**, clean external surfaces of the Pump with clean cloth.

- 4. To keep Fuel Transfer Pump running at its best, flush with diesel fuel if it is to be stored for long periods of time.
- Remove and clean Screen (25) after every 20 hours of continuous operation. Cleaning frequency depends on the type and cleanliness of fluids being pumped.
- 6. For safety reasons, service and maintenance should be performed regularly by a qualified technician.

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| Problem | Possible Causes | Likely Solutions | | | |
| Pump will not | 1. Suction Pipe (58) leak. | 1. Check for leaks in Suction Pipe (58). | | | |
| prime | 2. Bypass Valve (28) open. | 2. Remove and inspect Bypass Valve (28). | | | |
| | 3. Vanes (33) sticking. | 3. Check Vanes (33) and slots for nicks, burrs, wear, and accumulation. | | | |
| | 4. Inlet Gasket (26) leakage. | 4. Check and tighten all covers and joints. | | | |
| | 5. Excessive Rotor (34) or Vane (33) wear. | 5. Check Rotor (34) and Vanes (33) for excessive wear or possible damage. | | | |
| | 6. Motor not operating. | Motor Rotor (34) should turn clockwise at Pump end; if not, have it repaired by a qualified technician. | | | |
| | 7. Motor is running backwards. | 7. Check all wiring for correct polarity. | | | |
| Pump hums but | 1. Dirt in Pump cavity. | 1. Clean out Pump cavity. | | | |
| will not operate | 2. Motor failure. | Motor bearing(s) (2) possibly frozen. Have Motor repaired by qualified technician. | | | |
| Low Capacity | 1. Excessive dirt in Screen (25). | 1. Remove and clean Screen (25). | | | |
| | 2. Suction Pipe (58) Problem. | Check Suction Pipe (58) for leaks or restrictions. | | | |
| | 3. Bypass Valve (28) sticking. | 3. Remove and inspect Bypass Valve (28) | | | |
| | 4. Vanes (33) sticking. | Check Vanes (33) and slots for wear or deposits. | | | |
| | 5. Excessive Rotor (34) or Vane (33) wear. | 5. Check Rotor (34 and Vanes (33) for | | | |
| | 6. Hose (55) damage. | excessive wear or damage. | | | |
| | | 6. Replace Hose (55) (DO NOT REPAIR) | | | |
| Pump runs slowly | 1. Incorrect voltage. | 1. Check incoming line voltage. | | | |
| | 2. Vanes (33) sticking. | 2. Check Vanes (33) and slots for wear. | | | |
| | 3. Wiring problem. | Check for loose or broken wiring and replace if damage is found. | | | |
| | Motor Casting Assembly (6) out of line. | Motor frame must be installed with punch mark in line with notch in Motor Casting Assembly (6). | | | |
| | 5. Brush problem. | Check Brushes for excessive wear and adequate spring tension. Have repaired or replaced by qualified technician. | | | |
| | 6. Motor problem. | Inspect armature and commutator and repair or replace if necessary. Have work done by a qualified technician. | | | |
| | 7. Motor failure. | Motor bearing(s) (2) failing. Have repaired by qualified technician. | | | |

Troubleshooting

| Problem | Possible Causes | Likely Solutions |
|---------------------|---|---|
| Motor Stalls | 1. Bypass Valve (28) sticking | 1. Remove and inspect Bypass Valve (28). |
| | 2. Low voltage. | 2. Check incoming line voltage. |
| | Excessive Rotor (34) or Vane (33) wear. | Inspect Rotor (34) and Vanes (33) for excessive wear or damage and if necessary, have replaced or repaired by qualified technician. |
| Motor overheats | 1. Pumping high viscosity fluids. | Pump may need to rest 5 minutes after every 5 minutes of pumping. |
| | 2. Clogged Screen (25). | 2. Remove and clean Screen (25). |
| | Restricted Suction Pipe (58), or Suction Pipe Extension (59). | Remove and clean Suction Pipe (58) and/or Suction Pipe Extension (59). |
| | 4. Damaged, or worn Armature | 4. Replace Armature (3). |
| | (3). 5. Motor failure. | Have Motor repaired by a qualified technician. |
| Motor will not turn | 1. No Power. | 1. Check incoming power source. |
| on | 2. Switch failure. | 2. Check Line Switch (17). |
| | 3. Motor failure. | 3. Have repaired by qualified technician. |
| | 4. Thermal Protector (8) or fuse failure. | Check Thermal Protector (8) and fuse and replace if needed with identical part by qualified technician. |
| Fluid leakage | 1. Bad O-Ring or Gasket. | Check all O-Rings and Gaskets. (See Parts List on page 12 of this manual.) |
| | 2. Dirty shaft seal. | 2. Clean seal and seal cavity. |
| | 3. Bad shaft seal. | 3. Replace seal with identical part. |
| | 4. Incompatible fluid. | 4. Refer to "Specification Chart" on page 3 of this manual. |

Troubleshooting

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING CAREFULLY

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| PARTS LIST | | | |
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| Part | Description | Q'ty | |
| 1 | Pump Housing | 1 | |
| 2 | Ball Bearing | 2 | |
| 3 | Armature Assembly | 1 | |
| 4 | Motor Frame/Magnet Assembly | 1 | |
| 5 | 1/4-20 X 5" Thru-Bolt | 2 | |
| 6 | Motor Casting Assembly | 1 | |
| 7 | Switch Plate with Bushing | 1 | |
| 8 | Thermal Protector | 1 | |
| 9 | Brush Holder Assembly | 2 | |
| 10 | Negative Brush Assembly | 1 | |
| 11 | #8-32 X 1/2" Star Screw | 1 | |
| 13 | #8-32 X 3/8" Star Screw | 2 | |
| 14 | 5/16" Spring Washer | 1 | |
| 15 | Switch Shaft Assembly | 1 | |
| 16 | Positive Brush Assembly | 1 | |
| 17 | Line Switch | 1 | |
| 18 | Junction Box Cover | 1 | |
| 19 | Negative Wire Lead | 1 | |
| 20 | Positive Wire Lead | 1 | |
| 22 | 10-24 X 3/4" Star Screw | 6 | |
| 23 | 5/32 X 1/2" Pin | 1 | |
| 24 | Inlet Flange | 1 | |
| 25 | Screen | 1 | |
| 26 | Inlet Gasket | 1 | |
| 27 | Check Valve Assembly | 1 | |
| 28 | Bypass Valve | 1 | |
| 29 | Bypass Valve Gasket | 1 | |
| 30 | Bypass Spring | 1 | |

| PARTS LIST | | | |
|------------|---------------------------|------|--|
| Part | Description | Q'ty | |
| 31 | Bypass Cap | 1 | |
| 32 | 1/4-20 X 3/4" HHCS | 4 | |
| 33 | Vane(s) | 5 | |
| 34 | Rotor | 1 | |
| 35 | Rotor Key | 1 | |
| 36 | Rotor Cover | 1 | |
| 37 | Rotor Cover Gasket | 1 | |
| 38 | Seal Assembly | 1 | |
| 39 | Steel Elbow | 1 | |
| 40 | 5/16-18 X 3/4" HHCS | 2 | |
| 41 | Nozzle Cover | 1 | |
| 42 | Switch Lever | 1 | |
| 43 | 5/15 X 18 Locknut | 1 | |
| 44 | #14 X 5/8" Driver Screw | 1 | |
| 45 | Locking Link | 1 | |
| 46 | 1/4" Spring Washer | 2 | |
| 49 | 5/16" Retaining Ring | 1 | |
| 51 | Ground Wire (Green/White) | 1 | |
| 52 | #8-32 X 3/8" Ground Screw | 1 | |
| 53 | Cable Connector | 1 | |
| 54 | Nozzle | 1 | |
| 55 | Hose | 1 | |
| 56 | 10-24 X .50 Star Screw | 4 | |
| 57 | 1/4-20 X .5 HHCS | 4 | |
| 58 | Suction Pipe | 1 | |
| 59 | Suction Pipe Extension | 2 | |
| 60 | Cable (not shown) | 1 | |

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ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM



Record Product's Serial Number Here:

<u>Note:</u> If product has no serial number, record month and year of purchase instead.

Note: Some parts are listed and shown for illustration purposes only, and are not available individually as replacement parts.

LIMITED 1 YEAR / 90 DAY WARRANTY

Harbor Freight Tools Co. makes every effort to assure that its products meet high quality and durability standards, and warrants to the original purchaser that for a period of one year from date of purchase that the tank is free of defects in materials and work-manship (90 days if used by a professional contractor or if used as rental equipment). Harbor Freight Tools also warrants to the original purchaser, for a period of ninety days from date of purchase, that all other parts and components of the product are free from defects in materials and workmanship. This warranty does not apply to damage due directly or indirectly to misuse, abuse, negligence or accidents, repairs or alterations outside our facilities, normal wear and tear, or to lack of maintenance. We shall in no event be liable for death, injuries to persons or property, or for incidental, contingent, special or consequential damages arising from the use of our product. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation of exclusion may not apply to you. THIS WARRANTY IS EXPRESSLY IN LIEU OF ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING THE WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS.

To take advantage of this warranty, the product or part must be returned to us with transportation charges prepaid. Proof of purchase date and an explanation of the complaint must accompany the merchandise. If our inspection verifies the defect, we will either repair or replace the product at our election or we may elect to refund the purchase price if we cannot readily and quickly provide you with a replacement. We will return repaired products at our expense, but if we determine there is no defect, or that the defect resulted from causes not within the scope of our warranty, then you must bear the cost of returning the product.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.

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