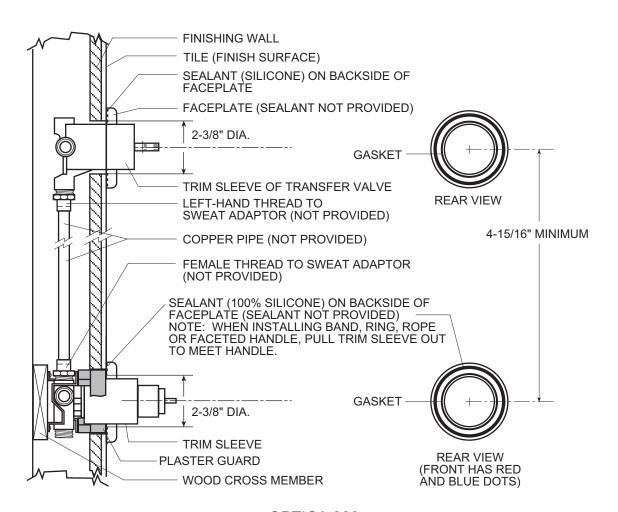


# OPTICA™ 300 SHOWER MIXER/TRANSFER VALVE INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS



# OPTICA 300

**WARNING:** This system/device must be set by the installer to ensure safe, maximum temperature. Any change in the setting may raise the discharge temperature above the limit considered safe and may lead to scalds.

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**CAUTION:** As the installer of this valve, it is your responsibility to properly **install** and **adjust** this valve per the instructions given. This valve does not automatically adjust for inlet temperature changes, therefore, it is necessary to adjust the Rotational Limit Stop at the time of installation. **You must** inform the owner/user of this requirement by following the instructions below. After installation and adjustment, you must write in the temperature and the date you adjusted the Rotational Limit Stop on the warning label provided and apply or attach it to the hot water heater. Be sure this instruction sheet is delivered to the owner/user.

**WARNING:** This pressure balanced bath valve is designed to minimize the effects of outlet water temperature changes due to inlet pressure changes, commonly caused by dishwashers, washing machines, toilets and the like. It may not provide protection from scalding when there is a failure of other temperature controlling devices elsewhere in the plumbing system if the Rotational Limit Stop is not properly set, or if the hot water temperature is changed after the Rotational Limit Stop is set, or if the water inlet temperature changes due to seasonal changes.

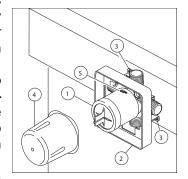
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# INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

**WARNING:** Failure to follow these instructions could prevent the mixer/transfer valve from functioning properly.

- 1. Shut OFF water supplies.
- 2. Install the body (1) so the surface of the finished wall is flush with the front of the plasterguard (2).

The plasterguard is mounted on the body using the two stringer mounting holes (3) on the bracket. **NOTE:** Remove cover (4) to access body mounting holes. Ensure the word "UP" (5) is on top of the valve body when installing.

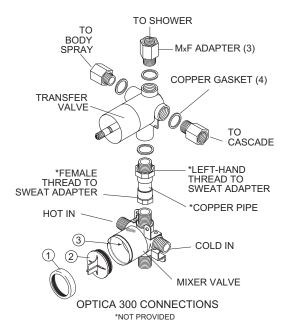


3. Install transfer valve

so that the transfer valve inlet connects to the top port of the mixer valve. See below. The transfer valve must be located at least 4-15/16" (center to center) away from the mixer valve. A left-hand thread to sweat adaptor and gasket are required for this connection. Use a 1/2" copper pipe size, a taper to sweat adaptor, and a female thread to sweat adaptor to finish the connections from transfer valve to mixer valve. Copper pipe and adaptors not provided.

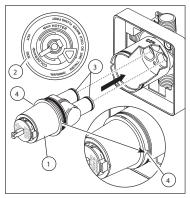
Connect hot and cold supply lines to left and right inlets of mixer body. Left is hot and right is cold (as viewed from front). Threaded inlets are 1/2" NPT (iron pipe size). Use an approved thread sealant for threaded connections.

Remove bonnet (1) and test cap (2) before soldering. Leave screen (3) installed. **WARNING: Avoid soldering at high temperature.** Exposure to high temperatures may damage screen.

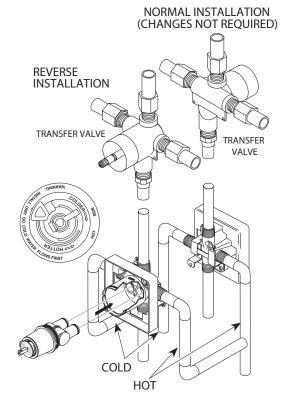


4. Rotate the cartridge (1) so the words "hot side" (2) appear on the left. Insert cartridge into valve body as shown. Make sure the cartridge tubes and o-rings (3) are properly seated in holes at the base of the body. Ensure the keys on the body are fully engaged with the slots in the body (4).

For shower head installation connect plumbing from top outlet of transfer valve to shower head arm with proper fittings. Do NOT install the shower head onto arm at this time.



5. For cascade installation connect right outlet of transfer valve to cascade line. The left outlet is for body spray jets. Plug unused ports if other arrangements are used.



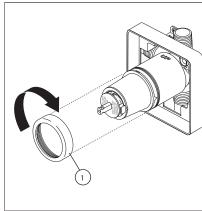
# **BACK TO BACK OR REVERSE INSTALLATION**

6. For back to back or reverse installations only (hot on right and cold on left), follow instructions below. If you are not making a reverse or back to back installation skip Steps 6 and 7 and continue with Step 8.

Make sure water supplies are OFF. Install mixing valve as directed in the previous steps.

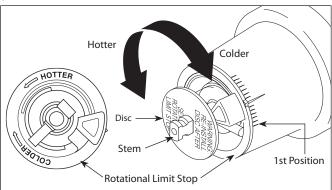
7. For back to back or reverse installations only (hot on right and cold on left). Connect hot and cold supply lines to left and right inlets of mixer body. **Right is hot** and **left is cold** (as viewed from front).

8. Slide bonnet nut (1) over the cartridge and thread onto the body. Hand tighten securely.



9. Flush your system prior to installing the shower head. Place handle on valve stem and turn handle to full mix position. Turn ON water supplies, check for leaks and let lines flush for one minute without moving faucet handle. Divert water to shower head and flush for 30 seconds. This will remove any debris from lines which can damage internal parts of the faucet and create leaks. After flushing, shut OFF water at faucet. Remove handle and attach escutcheon. Attach shower head.

**CAUTION:** Connection of deck-mount spouts to inwall valves is not recommended. Neither is the use of hand showers connected to bath spouts in a bath/shower push button diverter combination.



10. IMPORTANT: The Rotational Limit Stop is used to limit the amount of hot water available such that, if set properly, the user will not be scalded if the handle accidentally is rotated all the way to "hot" when a person is showering or filling a tub. The first position allows the LEAST amount of hot water to mix with the cold water in the system. In the first position the water will be the coldest possible when the handle is turned all the way to hot. As you move the Rotational Limit Stop counterclockwise, you progressively add more and more hot water in the mix. The last position to the left will result in the greatest amount of hot water to the mix, and the greatest risk of scald injury if someone accidentally turns the valve handle all the way to the hot side while showering or filling a tub.

WARNING: In some instances, setting the Rotational Limit Stop in the hottest position (full counterclockwise) could result in scald injury. It is necessary to adjust the Rotational Limit Stop so that the water coming out of the valve will not scald the user when the handle of the valve is rotated to the hot side.

Adjust rotational limit stop. After water has run a sufficient length of time so that cold water is as cold as it will get, and hot water is as hot as it will get, place handle back on stem and rotate handle counter clockwise to the hottest position. Place a thermometer in a plastic tumbler, and hold the tumbler in the water stream. Record the temperature reading and note or mark the position of the Rotational Limit Stop on the mating part. If the water temperature is above 120°F the Rotational Limit Stop must be rotated clockwise to reduce the temperature (See illustration).

Remove the Rotational Limit Stop and replace it one tooth counter clockwise for every 6° F (approximate) reduction in temperature that must be made. If water temperature is below 90° F, rotate the stop counter-clockwise. Repeat as necessary. Make sure cold water flows from the valve first and does not exceed 120°F at the hottest flow. A guide to setting the approximate outlet temperature is included. This is only a guide and any setting must be verified by using the above procedure.

#### **HELPFUL HINTS:**

- 1. Before removing cartridge assembly for any maintenance, be sure to note the position of the stop on the cap. The cartridge assembly must always be put back in the same position. For normal installations, the stop on the cap will face the left. To be safe, after you have finished the installation turn ON valve to make sure **cold water flow first.**
- 2. To remove cartridge from body, shut OFF water supplies and remove handle, trim sleeve and bonnet. Place handle on stem and rotate clockwise while lifting cartridge out of body.
- 3. To remove seats and springs, remove cartridge (see above). Separate cap assembly from the housing assembly by rotating the cap counter clockwise 90 degrees. Separate cap and housing assemblies. Remove seats and springs. Place new seats and spring. Place the largest diameter of the spring into the seat pocket first and then press the tapered end of the seal over the spring. Reassemble cartridge and replace in body following instructions given in Step 1 above.
- 4. If the water in your area has lime, rust, sand or other contaminants in it, your pressure balanced valve will require periodic inspection. The frequency of the inspection will depend on the amount of contaminants in the water. To inspect cartridge, remove it and follow Step 1. Turn the valve to the full mix position and shake the cartridge rigorously. If there is a rattling sound, the unit is functional and can be reinstalled following instructions given in Step 1 as listed. If there is no rattle, replace housing assembly.

No adjustment to the Optica shower mixer Rotational Limit Stop should be made except by a trained installer.

#### **CARE INSTRUCTIONS**

Your Optica Faucet is designed and engineered in accordance with the highest quality and performance standards. With proper care, it will give you years of trouble free service. Care should be given to the cleaning of this product. Although its finish is extremely durable, it can be damaged by harsh abrasives or polish. To clean, wipe gently with a damp cloth and blot dry with a soft towel.

# **TROUBLESHOOTING**

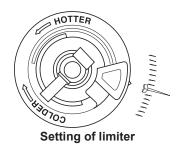
| CONDITION   | REMEDY   |
|---|--|
| Faucet leaks from bath spout/showerhead – SHUT OFF WATER SUPPLIES | Replace seats and springs – Repair Kit RP4993.<br>Check conditions of lower o-rings and replace if<br>necessary. |
| If leak persists – SHUT OFF WATER SUPPLIES                        | Replace housing assembly (PN D513000) – Repair Kit RP19805   |
| Unable to maintain constant water temperature                     | Replace housing assembly with RP19805 or follow Helpful Hint #4.   |

If your Optica 300 components do not match this unit, please contact Service Support: 1-800-288-4002

**WARNING:** This is a guide to help you set the Rotational Limit Stop. This is only a guide and should be verified by following the instructions on setting the rotational limit stop given in this installation and instruction sheet.

#### MIX TEMPERATURE-VS-POSITION OF ROTATIONAL LIMIT STOP

|                               | APPROXIMATE MIX TEMPERATURE (°F) WITH VARYING INLET TEMPERATURES     |          |          |          |                        |                        |          |                        |  |
|-------------------------------|--|----------|----------|----------|------------------------|------------------------|----------|------------------------|--|
| Setting of limiter            | Cold Hot<br>50°F 120°F   | Cold Hot | Cold Hot | Cold Hot | Cold Hot<br>50°F 160°F | Cold Hot<br>70°F 160°F | Cold Hot | Cold Hot<br>85°F 180°F |  |
| 1st Position                  | SHUT OFF ZONE: NO FLOW APPROXIMATELY 0-20 DEGREES OF HANDLE ROTATION |          |          |          |                        |                        |          |                        |  |
| 2nd Position                  | 50   | 70       | 50       | 70       | 70                     | 70                     | 40       | 85                     |  |
| 3rd Position                  | 61   | 79       | 67       | 83       | 74                     | 89                     | 70       | 101                    |  |
| 4th Position                  | 68   | 83       | 75       | 90       | 84                     | 97                     | 84       | 110                    |  |
| 5th Position                  | 74   | 87       | 85       | 96       | 91                     | 104                    | 95       | 117                    |  |
| 6th Position                  | 79   | 90       | 91       | 101      | 99                     | 110                    | 103      | 125                    |  |
| 7th Position                  | 82   | 93       | 97       | 104      | 104                    | 115                    | 109      | 130                    |  |
| 8th Position<br>(Factory Set) | 85   | 95       | 104      | 107      | 108                    | 118                    | 115      | 135                    |  |
| 9th Position                  | 89   | 100      | 117      | 111      | 115                    | 124                    | 124      | 141                    |  |
| 10th Position                 | 98   | 105      | 134      | 121      | 128                    | 136                    | 140      | 153                    |  |
| 11th Position                 | 111  | 115      | 138      | 133      | 149                    | 151                    | 165      | 172                    |  |



The first position of the Rotational Limit Stop (the Limiter) is that position that restricts the rotation of the stem the most and is at the maximum counterclockwise setting. According to industry standards, the maximum allowable temperature of the water exiting from the valve is 120°F. This temperature may vary in your local area. The Rotational Limit Stop may need to be readjusted if the inlet water temperature changes. For instance, during the winter, the cold water temperature is colder than it is during the summer which could result in varying outlet temperatures. Typical temperature for a comfortable bath or shower is between 90°-110°F.

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## **CAUTION**

Since plumbing fittings may contribute detectable amounts of lead to water, the following notice is required by California law (Proposition 65). "This product contains a chemical known to the State of California to cause birth defects or reproductive harm." In normal use, any lead exposure can be minimized by allowing the water to run free for several seconds before drinking.

Proper Installation of the fill spout and compliance with local codes is the responsibility of the installer. Jacuzzi Whirlpool Bath does not warrant connections of water supply fittings and piping, fill systems, or drain/overflow systems. Nor is it responsible for damage to the bath (or spa) which occurs during any installation procedure.

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