VALUE SERIES ELECTRONIC TIMER WATER SOFTENER Installation Manual



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EXCALIBUR VALUE WATER SOFTENER INSTALLATION MANUAL



GENERAL WATER SOFTENER INSTALLATION PROCEDURES

The Water Softener control valve, fittings and/or bypass Water Softener valve are designed to accommodate minor plumbing misalignments that may occur during the Water Softener installation. Do Not use Vaseline, oils or other hydrocarbon lubricants when installing your Value Water Softener or spray silicone anywhere. A silicone lubricant may be used when installing your Value Water Softener on black o-rings but is not necessary. Avoid any type of lubricants including silicone when installing your Value Water Softener on red or clear lip seals.

Do not use pipe dope or other sealants on the Water Softener threads. Teflon tape must be used on the Water Softener threads such as the 1 inch NPT elbow, the ¼ inch NPT connection, and the Water Softener drain line connection. The nuts and caps of the Value Water Softener are designed to be unscrewed or tightened by hand or with the special plastic Water Softener service wrench part number V3193. If necessary, pliers can be used to unscrew the Value Water Softener nut or cap. No not use a pipe wrench to tighten or loosen the Value Water Softener nuts or caps. Do not place screwdriver in slots on caps and/or tap with a hammer as this could damage the Value Water Softener

WATER SOFTENER INSTALLATION SITE REQUIRMENTS

 Water pressure 20 – 125 psi 	Current draw is 0.25 amps
 Water temperature 5 to 30°C or 40 to 100°F 	 A 15 foot power cord is furnished
The Water Softener tank should be on a firm level surface	The plug-in transformer is for dry location only
Electrical use of 115/120 volt 60 Hz uninterrupted outlet	Batteries are not used

- The distance between the Value Water Softener and the water drain should be as short as possible. When installing your Value Water Softener all plumbing must be done in accordance with local plumbing codes. The Water Softener must not have a piping header that exceeds 3 meters (10 feet).
- 2. Since water softener salt must be used periodically and be added to the Water Softener, the brine tank should be located where it is easily accessible.
- 3. Do not install your Value Water Softener with less than 10 feet of piping between your Water Softener and it's electrical outlet and the inlet of the water heater.
- 4. Do not locate the Value Water Softener where it's connections including the Water Softener drain and overflow plumbing will be in a room with a room temperature under 2°C or 34°F.
- 5. The use of resin cleaner in your Value Water Softener in an unvented enclosure is not recommended.

6. The Water Softener inlet/outlet plumbing will be installed downstream of outdoor spigots. Install an inlet shutoff valve and plumbing to the Water Softener bypass valve located at the right rear as you face the Water Softener. There are a variety of Water Softener installation fittings available. They are listed under Water Softener installation fitting assemblies. When assembling the Water Softener installation fitting package (inlet and outlet) connect the fitting to the plumbing system first and attach the Water Softener nut, split ring and o-ring. Heat from soldering or solvent cements may damage the Water Softener nut, split ring or o-ring. Solder joints should be cool and solvent cements should be set before installing the Water Softener nut, split ring and o-ring. Avoid getting solder flux, primer and solvent cement on any part of the Water Softener o rings, split rings, bypass valve or control valve. If the building electrical system is grounded to the plumbing system, install a copper grounding strap from the inlet to the outlet plumbing.

7. WATER SOFTENER DRAIN LINE

First, be sure that the Water Softener drain line can handle the flow rate of the Water Softener. Solder joints near the drain line must be done prior to connecting the Water Softener drain line flow control fitting. Leave at least 6 inched between the Water Softener drain line flow control fittings and solder joints. Failure to do this could cause interior damage to the Water Softener flow control. Install a ½ inch inside diameter flexible plastic tube to the Water Softener drain line assembly or discard the tubing nut and the 3/4 inch NPT fitting for rigid pipe. If the Water Softener backwash flowrate is greater than 7 gallons per minute, use a 3/4 inch Water Softener drain line. Where the Water Softener drain line is elevated but empties into a water drain below the level of the Water Softener control valve, form a 7 inch loop at the discharge end of pipe so that the bottom of the loop is level with the drain connection of the Water Softener control valve. This will provide an adequate anti-siphon trap. Where the drain empties into an overhead sewer pipe, a sink-type trap must be used. Run

a drain tube to its discharge point in accordance with local plumbing codes. Pay special attention to plumbing codes for air gaps and anti-siphon devices.

8. WATER SOFTENER BRINE TANK CONNECTION

Install a 3/8 inch outside diameter polyethylene tubing from the Water Softener refill elbow to the brine valve in the Water Softener brine tank.

WATER SOFTENER OVERLOW DRAIN TUBING CONNECTION

A Water Softener overflow drain tubing is recommended where a Water Softener brine tank overflow could damage furnishings or the building structure. Your Value Water Softener will be equipped with a brine tank safety float which greatly reduces the chance of an accidental brine overflow. In the event of a Water Softener malfunction, an overflow tubing connection will direct the overflow to the drain instead of spilling on the floor where it could cause considerable damage. This fitting should be on the side of the Water Softener cabinet of brine tank. To connect the Water Softener overflow fitting, locate a hole inside of the brine tank. Insert the Water Softener overflow fitting into the brine tank and tighten with plastic nut and gasket from the inside. Attach a length of ½ inch inside diameter tubing (not supplied) to fitting and run tubing to drain. Do not elevate the Water Softener overflow tube higher than 3 inches below bottom of overflow fitting. Do not "tie" this overflow tube into the drain tube of the Water Softener control valve. Overflow tube must be a direct, separate line from fitting to drain.

IMPORTANT:

Never insert a drain line directly into a drain, sewer line or ptrap. Always allow an air gap between the drain line of the waste water to prevent the possibility of sewage being backsiphoned in the Water Softener.

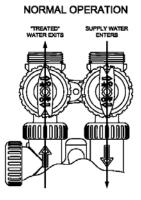
WATER SOFTENER SERIAL NUMBER Record the Water Softener serial number on the installer's records and consumer's sales invoice.

11. WATER SOFTENER BYPASS VALVE

The Water Softener bypass valve is typically used to isolate the Water Softener control valve from the plumbing system, water pressure in order to perform Water Softener control valve repairs or maintenance. The bypass valve is particularly unique due to its versatility and design features. The 1 inch Water Softener full flow bypass valve incorporates four positions including a diagnostic position that allows to work on a pressure system while still providing untreated bypass valve water to the residence. The bypass valve is completely non-metallic, all composite design. The Water Softener bypass valve consists of two interchangeable plug valves that are operated independently by red arrow shaped handles. The handles identify the water flow direction of the water. The plug valves enable the bypass valve to operate in four positions.

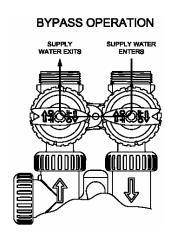
A) NORMAL OPERATION POSITION

The inlet and outlet handles point in the direction of water flow of the Water Softener indicated by the engraved arrows on the bypass valve. Water flows through the bypass valve during normal operation and this position also allows the bypass valve to isolate the Water Softener resin bed during the regeneration cycle.



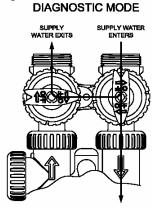
B) BYPASS POSITION

The inlet and outlet handles point to the centre of the bypass valve. The bypass valve is isolated from the water pressure contained in the plumbing system. Untreated water is supplied to the plumbing system



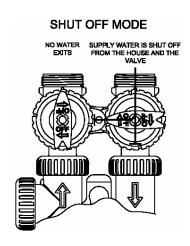
C) DIAGNOSTIC POSITION

The inlet handle points in the direction of water flow and outlet handle points to the centre of the bypass valve. System water pressure is allowed to flow to the Water Softener control valve and the plumbing system while not allowing water to exit from the control valve to the plumbing system.



D) SHUTOFF POSITION

The inlet handles points to the centre of the bypass valve and the outlet points to the direction of flow. The water is shut off to the plumbing system. If water is available on the outlet side of the Water Softener, it is an indication of water bypass around the system.



WATER SOFTENER STARTUP INSTRUCTIONS

- After Water Softener installation is completed and checked for leaks, with bypass valve handles to the bypass position.
- Fully open a cold water tap to release air pressure from plumbing system. Allow water to run until the plumbing system is rid of debris, which may have occurred during installation.

THE WATER SOFTNER IS NOW READY FOR TESTING

1. With the bypass valve in the bypass position, manually pour 5 gallons of water into the Water Softener brine tank.

- 2. Press and hold the Water Softener UP & DN buttons together for three seconds until the motor drive starts. Wait until the motor stops in the backwash position displaying C1.
- 3. Open the inlet handle of the bypass valve very slowly allowing water to fill the Water Softener slowly to expel air out the drain line. If water flows too rapidly, there will be a loss of media out of the drain.
- 4. When the Water Softener is flowing steadily to drain without the presence of air, press the DN button to advance the Water Softener control valve to the brine draw position, C2.
- 5. Fully open the inlet of the Water Softener bypass valve (bypass is no in the diagnostic position). Check to verify that water is being drawn from the brine tank. There should be a slow flow to the drain. Allow three minutes for the media bed to settle.
- 6. Press the Water Softener DN button to advance the Water Softener control valve to where the display C3 which is a second backwash with water running steadily to drain.
- 7. Press the Water Softener DN button to advance to C4 which is the fast rinse cycle that will settle the resin bed back to the service position after backwashing.
- 8. Press the Water Softener DN button to advance to C5 which is the refill stage where you should have water refilling back into the salt storage brine tank.
- 8. Press the Water Softener DN button to advance to C5 the control valve back will go through a quick wash.
- 9. Press the Water Softener DN button to advance to C0 which will send the control valve back into the service position properly displaying the current time of day.

WATER SOFTENER PROGRAMMING SETTINGS

Step I: Press up & dn buttons simultaneously for 3 seconds.

Step II: Set time of regeneration which will already come factory set for 2:00am. You want to pick a time when the least amount of water is being consumed in the household.

Step III: Press the dn button to set the days between regeneration. This will come factory set for 4.

Step IV: Press next dn button to display back to the current time of day.

To initiate a manual regeneration immediately, press and hold the up & dn buttons for three seconds. The system will begin to regenerate immediately. The Water Softener control valve may be stepped through the various regeneration cycles pressing the regen dn.

Table 6 Troubleshooting Procedures

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
	a. Transformer unplugged	a. Connect power
Timer does not display	b. No electric power at outlet	b. Repair outlet or use working outlet
time of day	c. Defective transformer	c. Replace transformer
	d. Defective PC board	d. Replace PC board
2. Timor do so not display	a. Switched outlet	a. Use uninterrupted outlet
2. Timer does not display	b. Power outage	b. Reset time of day
correct time of day	c. Defective PC board	c. Replace PC board
	a. Power outages	a. Reset control valve to correct time of
3. Control valve regenerates		day
at wrong time of day	b. Time of day not set correctly	b. Reset to correct time of day
	c. Time of regeneration incorrect	c. Reset regeneration time
	a. Control valve has just been	a. Press SET HOUR and DOWN for 3
	serviced	seconds or unplug power source jack
		(black wire) from the circuit board and
		plug back in to reset control valve
	 Foreign matter is lodged in 	 b. Check piston and spacer stack
4. E1, E2 or E3	control valve	assembly for foreign matter
4. E1, E2 of E3	c. High drive forces on piston	c. Replace piston(s) and spacer stack
E1 - Unable to recognize start		assembly
of regeneration	d. Control valve piston not in home	d. Press SET HOUR and DOWN for 3
of regeneration	position	seconds or unplug power source jack
E2 – Unexpected stall		(black wire) from the circuit board and
12 Chexpected sum		plug back in to reset control valve
E3 – Motor ran to long, timed	e. Motor not inserted fully to engage	e. Check motor and wiring. Replace
out trying to reach the next	pinion, motor wires broken or	motor if necessary
cycle position or trying to	disconnected, motor failure	
reach home position	f. Drive gear label dirty or damaged,	f. Replace or clean drive gear
	missing or broken gear	
	g. Drive bracket incorrectly aligned	g. Reseat drive bracket properly
	to back plate	h. Danlasa DC baand
	h. PC board is damaged or defective i. PC board incorrectly aligned to	h. Replace PC board i. Ensure PC board is correctly snapped
	drive bracket	on to drive bracket
	a. Motor not operating	a. Replace motor
	b. No electric power at outlet	b. Repair outlet or use working outlet
	c. Defective transformer	c. Replace transformer
5. Control valve stalled in	d. Defective transformer	d. Replace PC board
regeneration	e. Broken drive gear or drive cap	e. Replace drive gear or drive cap
regeneration	assembly	assembly
	f. Broken piston retainer	f. Replace drive cap assembly
	g. Broken main or regenerant piston	g. Replace main or regenerant piston
Control valve does not	a. Transformer unplugged	a. Connect transformer
regenerate automatically	b. No electric power at outlet	b. Repair outlet or use working outlet
when UP and DOWN	c. Broken drive gear or drive cap	c. Replace drive gear or drive cap
buttons are depressed and	assembly	assembly
held	d. Defective PC board	d. Replace PC board
7. Control valve does not	d. Delective i C could	
regenerate automatically	a. Defective PC board	a. Replace PC board
but does when UP and		
DOWN buttons are	b. Set-up error	b. Check control valve set-up procedure
depressed	o. Soc-up error	c. Check control varve set-up procedure
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7 YEAR WARRANTY Lifetime Tank Warranty Value Water Softener

Thank you for your purchase of our VALUE SERIES WATER SOFTENER. For proof of purchase, please retain your Invoice/Sales Order Copy.

Warranty ~ Offered

Excalibur Water Systems warranties its products to be free from defect in materials and workmanship to the original owner from the date on the proof of purchase as described below.

Warranty ~ Working Procedures

If during the suitable warranty period, a part is defective, then Excalibur Water Systems will repair or replace that part at no charge to the original owner, with the exception of charges for nominal shipping, service and/or installation.

Warranty ~ Coverage Outlined

Excalibur Water Systems guarantees, to the original owner, a period of 7 years, the CONTROL BODY to be free of defects in materials and workmanship and to perform its proper functions. To the original owner, a period of 7 years, the ELECTRONIC CONTROL VALVE as well as all parts to be free of defects in materials and workmanship and to perform their normal functions. To the original owner, the SALT TANK and the MINERAL TANK will not rust, corrode, leak, burst or in any other form fail to perform their proper functions for a LIFETIME period of 20 YEARS.

Warranty ~ Service

In the event you require service, your local Excalibur Water Systems Dealer will provide all necessary service and installation for your Value Water Softener. To obtain warranty service within 30 days of discovery of the defect, notification must be given to your local Excalibur Water Systems Dealer.

General Provisions

The above warranties are effective provided the VALUE WATER SOFTENER is operated at water pressures not exceeding 125psi and at water temperatures not exceeding 120°F; also provided that the water softener is not subject to abuse, misuse, alteration, neglect, freezing, accident or negligence; and provided further that the water softener is not damaged as the result of any unusual force of nature such as, but not limited to flood, hurricane, tornado or earthquake. Excalibur Water Systems is excused if failure to perform its warranty obligations is the result of strikes, government regulation, materials shortages or other circumstances beyond its control.

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