

GE Appliances

Water Filtration System



Owner's Manual and Installation GNUT03B GXUT03B

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Congratulations! You are Now Part of the GE Family.

Welcome to the GE family. We're proud of our quality products and we are committed to providing dependable service. You'll see it in this easy-to-use Owner's Manual and you'll hear it in the friendly voices of our customer service department.

Best of all, you'll experience these values each time you use the Water Filtration system. That's important, because your new system will be part of your family for many years. And we hope you will be part of ours for a long time to come.

We thank you for buying GE. We appreciate your purchase, and hope you will continue to rely on us whenever you need quality appliances for your home.



Fill out and return the Consumer Product Registration Card that is packed with this product. If you cannot find it, please send in the duplicate card printed in the back of this manual.

FOR YOUR RECORDS

Write the model and serial numbers here:

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You can find them on the sump bracket.

Staple sales slip or cancelled check here.

Proof of the original purchase date is needed to obtain service under the warranty.

READ THIS MANUAL

Inside you will find many helpful hints on how to use and maintain your water system properly. Just a little preventive care on your part can save you a great deal of time and money over the life of your system.



IF YOU NEED SERVICE

You'll find many answers to common problems in the *Before You Call For Service* section. If you review our chart of *Troubleshooting Tips* first, you may not need to call for service at all.

If you do need service, you can relax knowing help is only a phone call away. A list of toll-free customer service numbers is included in the back section.

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IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION. READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING.

A WARNING! For your safety, the information in this manual must be followed to minimize the risk of property damage or personal injury.



SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Check with your local public works department for plumbing codes. You must follow these guidelines as you install the Water Filtration system.

- Use the Water Filtration system on a potable, safe-to-drink, home *COLD* water supply only. The filter cartridges will not purify the water, or make it safe to drink.
- **Do not** use on a hot water supply (100°F. max.).
- **WARNING:** Do not use with water that is microbiologically unsafe or of unknown quality without adequate disinfection before or after the system. Systems certified for cyst reduction may be used on disinfected water that may contain filterable cysts.



PROPER INSTALLATION

This Water Filtration system must be properly installed and located in accordance with the Installation Instructions before it is used.

■ Install or store where it will not be exposed to temperatures below freezing or exposed to any type of weather. Water freezing in the system will damage it. Do not attempt to treat water over 100°F.

WARNING: Discard all unused and packaging material after installation. Small parts remaining after installation could be a choke hazard.

■ Your Water Filtration system will withstand up to 125 pounds per square inch (psi) water pressure. If your house water supply pressure is higher than 100 psi, install a pressure reducing valve before installing the Water Filtration system.



Read and follow this Safety Information carefully. SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

Specification guidelines.

Many bad tastes and/or odors are removed from water using activated carbon filter cartridges. They are most often used to remove a chlorine taste and odor. They can also reduce other undesirable elements from drinking water supplies, such as organic chemical contaminants and lead.

NOTE: Small amounts of hydrogen sulfide (noticeable as "rotten egg" odor) may be reduced by taste and odor filters for a short time, but the carbon media is quickly exhausted. Other water conditioning equipment is usually required for the continuous treatment of hydrogen sulfide.

The Water Filtration system uses two filter cartridges.

Filter I FXUSB— a sediment filter cartridge	<i>Filter II FXUTB—</i> a taste and odor filter cartridge			
• Reduces dirt, rust and sediment	• 6000 gallons			
	• Reduces unpleasant tastes and odors			
	• Reduces 99.5% chlorine			
	• 1 micron, carbon block			
Minimum - Maximum Supply Water Pressure — Minimum - Maximum Supply Water Temperature Inlet - Outlet — 3/8" NPT, fittings and tubing ind Maximum Filtered Water Flow — 0.6 gpm	e — 40–100°F.			

About the water filtration system.





The countertop faucet dispenses filtered drinking water when opened. It has a handoperated, spring-loaded closed lever to prevent waste. You can keep the faucet open by pushing upward on the lever to lock it against the faucet spout.

Filter Cartridge Life—Several variables determine how long the cartridges will last in your Water Filtration system. These include:



How much water you use.

How much sediment, taste and/or odor, lead, or other unwanted substance, is in the water.

No matter which Water Filtration system you have, you should replace the cartridges every six months.

Apply the Filter Replacement Reminder Label to one of the filter sumps between the ribs. Mark the date for filter replacement six months from the installation date.

In extremely poor water supplies, you may notice the return of the unwanted substance in your water before the six months are up. In this case the cartridges should be replaced immediately.

NOTE: If the water supply contains high amounts of sediments, the carbon filters may plug with them, reducing filtered water flow to the system faucet. Cartridge replacement is needed to restore flow.

Filter Replacement Reminder Label

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A CAUTION: Never remove the sumps when water pressure is in the Water Filtration system.

Filter Cartridge Replacement

Close the water supply/saddle valve to the filter. (See Fig. 1 in the *Installation Overview* section for location of the saddle valve.) Open the filtered water faucet.

Remove the sump, using the sump wrench tool provided, from the filter head by rotating the sump as shown in the below illustration. Be careful, the sump may be full of water. Be sure to keep the large o-ring seal.



[*J***]** If you are replacing a filter cartridge, remove and discard the used filter cartridge.

- Be sure the inside of the sump is clean. Thoroughly wash the inside of the sump with hot, soapy water and rinse.
- Bemove the wrapper from the new filter cartridge and insert the filter cartridge in the sump. Some cartridges fit either way, while others fit only one way. Observe markings on the cartridge.

NOTE: The Water Filtration system uses two different types of filter cartridges. Be sure to install them correctly.

The sediment (FXUSB) filter cartridge should always be placed in the Filter I sump.

Lightly lubricate the o-ring seal in the sump with clean silicone grease. Be sure it is fully seated in its groove.

 $\boxed{2}$ Hold the sump up to the filter head, aligning the center hole in the cartridge with the protrusion on the bottom of the head.

Being careful not to cross-thread, rotate the sump onto the filter head and tighten securely by hand.

NOTE: If the sump will not tighten up to the head, you may have the cartridge in upside down. Take the cartridge out and check for correct orientation.

$\overline{\mathcal{Q}}$ Repeat steps 2 through 8 for the taste/odor (FXUTB) filter cartridge in the Filter II sump.

Turn on the filtered water faucet. Then, slowly open the water supply/saddle valve and allow the filter housing to fill.

17 Close the filtered water faucet. Then, check for leaks between the sump and the head.

NOTE: If leaking, turn off the water supply and turn on the filtered water faucet. Disassemble the filter and check the o-ring for cuts, flat spots, etc., and sealing surfaces for foreign material. Clean the o-ring and lightly lubricate with clean silicone grease. Carefully press into the groove in the sump.

The filter cartridges contain activated carbon. When new, turn on the filtered water faucet for ten minutes to flush the system.

About the water filtration system.

Flush Procedure

Whenever water of unknown quality is passed through the Water Filtration system, filter elements should be discarded and the filtration system flushed.

Circumstances that may require flushing the system are:

- Boil-water advisory.
- Flooding of the Water Filtration system.
- Long-term non-use.

The procedure for flushing the Water Filtration system is:

See *Filter Cartridge Replacement* section and follow steps 1 through 4.

Next, reinstall the sumps (without the filter elements), turn water on, and flush water through the faucet for one minute.

3 Then, turn water off, remove sumps, empty water out of sumps and install new filter elements.

Follow steps 6 through 9 in the *Filter Cartridge Replacement* section to complete.

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Important Installation Recommendations

Read entire manual. Failure to follow all guides and rules could cause personal injury or property damage.

- Check with your local public works department for plumbing codes. You must follow their guides as you install the Water Filtration system.
- Use the Water Filtration system on a potable, safe-to-drink, home COLD water supply only. The filter cartridges will not purify water or make unsafe water safe to drink. DO NOT use on HOT water (100° F. max.).
- Protect the Water Filtration system and piping from freezing. Water freezing in the system will damage it.
- Your Water Filtration system will withstand up to 125 psi water pressure. If your house water supply pressure is higher than 100 psi during the day (it may reach higher levels at night), install a pressure reducing valve before the system.
- **WARNING:** Do not use with water that is microbiologically unsafe or of unknown quality without adequate disinfection before or after the system. The water should be tested periodically to verify that the system is performing satisfactorily. Small parts remaining after the installation could be a choke hazard. Discard safely.

Tools and Materials Required for Installation

- Slotted and Phillips screwdrivers
- Pliers and adjustable jaw wrench
- Hand or battery powered drill and 1/4" bit (saddle valve installation)
- Electric drill and drill bit to drill 1″-1-1/4″ hole (type as required) if mounting hole is needed for faucet

CAUTION: To avoid damaging the sink, consult a qualified plumber or installer for drilling procedures. Special drill bits may be needed for porcelain or stainless steel. Contents included with the product:

- Water filter assembly, including mounting bracket and screws
- Product Literature (Owner's Manual and Installation, Product Data Sheet, Owner Product Registration Card)
- Water supply/saddle valve
- Filtered water faucet, for sink or countertop mounting
- 3/8″ tubing and fittings to make all needed connections
- Sump wrench



Step-by-step installation instructions.

Feed Water Supply

Check and comply with local plumbing codes as you plan, then install a cold feed water supply fitting. For new home installation using standard plumbing fittings, see Fig. 2A below. A typical installation for existing homes using the saddle valve is shown in Fig. 2B below.

A. PREFERRED INSTALLATION

Turn off the cold water supply. 1

Complying with plumbing codes, install a fitting on the cold water pipe to adapt 3/8" OD tubing. A typical connection is shown in Fig. 2A (parts not included). Make sure a water supply valve is used.

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B. OPTIONAL INSTALLATION Where codes permit

NOTE: Codes in the state of Massachusetts require installation by a licensed plumber and do not permit the use of the saddle valve. For installation, use plumbing code 248-CMR of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Turn off the cold water supply and attach saddle valve as shown in Fig. 2B.

ELECTRIC DRILL.

DANGER: To protect yourself from serious injury or fatal shock, use a battery powered hand drill only to make the hole. DO NOT USE AN

 $\boxed{2}$ Close the water supply value by turning the handle clockwise.

3 Open the main water supply valve and several house faucets to purge air from the system. Close faucets when water runs smoothly.



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Faucet Installation

Be sure there is room underneath the sink to make the needed connections. Select one of the following places to install the faucet:

- -IN an existing sink spray attachment or soap dispenser hole.
- -IN a hole to be drilled in the sink top.
- -IN a hole to be drilled in the countertop, next to the sink.

NOTE: Looking at Fig. 3B, be sure the faucet base will fit flat against the surface at the selected location so the gasket will seal.

- If drilling is needed, make a 1"-1-1/4" dia. hole. Be sure to use the proper procedure for drilling porcelain or stainless steel. Special drill bits may be needed.
- Place small gasket, base and large gasket (in that order) on to the faucet stem. Next, place lock washer and hex nut onto faucet stud.

- 3 Insert washer into tubing adapter. Securely tighten to faucet stud.
- Feed the length of 3/8'' OD tube from the bottom, up through the mounting hole.
- Dottom, up through the mounting hole. Connect to the tubing adapter as shown in Fig. 3B, tightening the compression nut securely.
- **5** Remove the short shipping tube and insert the spout into the faucet body. Rotate spout into place.
- *C* Lower the faucet assembly into place. Place the mounting bracket above the lock washer. While holding the mounting bracket in place, securely tighten the hex nut.



Step-by-step installation instructions.

Mounting Bracket to Cabinet Wall

The bracket can be used as a template for marking the location of the mounting screws. When determining the location of the bracket make sure you leave 1-1/2" to 2" of free area under the sumps to allow for sump removal and enough space on either side to make the tubing connections.

Make Tubing Connections

7 Run the length of 3/8" tubing, connected to the bottom of faucet, to the filter system outlet, Fig.1 in the Installation Overview section. Allow enough slack in the tubing to be able to place the system on the floor in front of the sink. Measure and cut the end of the tubing square.

Slide a compression nut onto the end of the tubing and push a tubing insert into the tubing.

Connect the tubing and tighten the compression nuts securely. 3

Repeat the preceding steps to connect a length of tubing between the filter system inlet and the water supply/saddle valve, Fig. 1 in the Installation Overview section.



Filter Cartridge Installation or Replacement

A CAUTION: Never remove sumps with water pressure in the Water Filtration system.

Close the water supply/saddle valve (Fig. 1 and 2A) to the filter. Open the filtered water faucet.

Turn the sump off of the filter head as shown (use the sump wrench provided). Be careful, the sump is full of water. Locate and save the large o-ring seal. Remove and discard the used filter cartridge.

Be sure the inside of the sump is clean. Thoroughly wash with hot, soapy water and rinse. 3

Remove the wrapper and labels from the new filter cartridge and insert the filter cartridge in the sump. Some 4 cartridges fit either way, while others fit only one way. Observe markings on the end of the cartridge. The sediment (FXUSB) filter cartridge should always be placed in the Filter I sump.

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Hold the sump up to the filter head, aligning the center hole in the cartridge with the protrusion on the bottom 6 of the head.

NOTE: If the sump will not tighten up to the head, you may have the cartridge in upside down. Take the cartridge out and check the markings on the end of the cartridge for correct orientation.

Being careful not to cross-thread, turn the sump onto the filter head and hand tighten securely (see Fig. 5).

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Repeat steps 2 through 7 for the taste/odor (FXUTB) filter cartridge in the Filter II sump

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9 Open the filtered water faucet. Then, slowly open the water supply/saddle valve and allow the filter housing to fill.

 $\boxed{10}$ Close the filtered water faucet. Then, check for leaks between the sump and the head.

NOTE: If leaking, turn off the water supply and open the filtered water faucet. Then, disassemble the filter and check the o-ring for cuts, flat spots, etc., and sealing surfaces for foreign material. Clean the o-ring and lubricate with clean silicone grease. Carefully press into the groove in the sump.

The filter cartridges contain activated carbon. When new, open the filtered water faucet for ten minutes to flush the system.



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Before you call for service...



Troubleshooting Tips Save time and money! Review the chart below first and you may not need to call for service.

Problem	Possible Causes	What To Do		
Water contains tiny black particles	New filter cartridges contain activated carbon, which is a harmless black powder.	• Turn on the filtered water faucet and allow these harmless carbon particles to purge from the cartridge. Turn off the faucet when the water is clear.		
Water has air bubbles and is cloudy	Air in system after installation.	• Will go away after water runs for a while.		
<i>Chlorine taste and /or odor in the product water</i>	The filter cartridges are no longer removing chlorine from the water supply.	• Replace both filter cartridges.		

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*All brands covered, up to 20 years old, in the continental U.S.

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General Electric Company Warranty Registration Department P.O. Box 34070 Louisville, KY 40232-4070 Cut here

Consumer Product Ownership Registration

Dear Customer:

Thank you for purchasing our product and thank you for placing your confidence in us. We are proud to have you as a customer!

Follow these three steps to protect your new appliance investment:



Important: If you did not get a registration card with your product, detach and return the form below to ensure that your product is registered.

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GE Water Filtration System Warranty.



One Year

All warranty service provided by our SmartWater™ Authorized Servicer Network. For service, call 800-GE-CARES.

For The Period Of: **GE Will Replace:**

Any part of the Water Filtration system (excluding filters) which fails due to a defect in materials or From the date of the workmanship. During this *limited one-year warranty*, GE will also provide, *free of charge*, all labor original purchase (does not include service trip to home) to replace the defective part.

What GE Will Not Cover:

- Service trips to your home to teach you how to use the product.
- Improper installation.
- Failure of the product if it is abused, misused, or used for other than the intended purpose or used commercially.
- Use of this product where water is microbiologically unsafe or of unknown quality, without adequate disinfection before or after the system. Systems certified for cyst reduction may be used on disinfected water that may contain filterable cysts.
- Filter cartridges.
- Replacement of house fuses or resetting of circuit breakers.
- Damage to the product caused by accident, fire, floods or acts of God.
- Incidental or consequential damage to personal property caused by possible defects with this appliance.

This warranty is extended to the original purchaser and any succeeding owner for products purchased for home use within the USA. In Alaska, the warranty excludes the cost of shipping or service calls to your home.

Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages. This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state. To know what your legal rights are, consult your local or state consumer affairs office or your state's Attorney General.

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