



# AquaCal® Operation Manual Pa







Five (Push) Button Display v2.xxx (HP11 control board)

#### **Important**

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Read this document before operating / installing this product
For additional product manuals and operation / installation procedures, please visit www.AquaCal.com
MODEL / SERIAL NUMBER

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## Contacting AquaCal AutoPilot, Inc.

## For further assistance, please contact the distributor or installer of this product.

If unavailable, please contact AquaCal® for a service partner in your area. To better assist you, please have the heat pump model and serial number available.

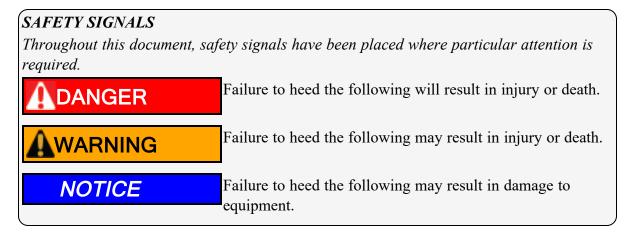
• See "Identifying Model Specifications" on page 41.

Product Information:		
Website	www.AquaCal.com	
Phone	(1) 727-823-5642	
Hours	8-5 pm, Eastern M-F	

Service Information:		
Website	www.AquaCal.com/request-heat-pump-service/	

#### **SAFETY**

- For personal safety, and to avoid damage to equipment, follow all safety instructions displayed on the equipment and within this manual. Repair and service of heat pump must be performed by an authorized service center.
- Warranties may be voided if the equipment has been improperly installed, maintained or serviced.
- If service is deemed necessary, please contact AquaCal.



When installing and using your heat pump basic safety precautions must always be followed, including the following:



Failure to heed the following will result in injury or death.

- The heat pump utilizes high voltage and rotating equipment. Use caution when servicing.
- RISK OF ELECTRICAL SHOCK FROM ENERGY STORED IN CAPACITORS MODELS EQUIPPED WITH VARIABLE FREQUENCY COMPRESSOR DRIVES STORE ELECTRICITY EVEN AFTER THE POWER HAS BEEN DEACTIVATED AT THE POWER BREAKER. Wait for 2 minutes after the shut down of equipment before servicing.
- Heat Pump equipment must be installed within manufacturer specifications and must follow all National and / or State and Local installation guidelines.
- Follow all National Electric Codes (NEC) and / or State and Local guidelines.

# **≜**WARNING

Failure to heed the following may result in injury or death.

- Installation and repairs must be performed by a qualified technician.
- The Heat Pump contains refrigerant under pressure. Repairs to the refrigerant circuit must not be attempted by untrained and / or unqualified individuals. Service must be performed only by qualified HVAC technicians. Recover refrigerant before opening the system.
- Improper water chemistry can present a serious health hazard. To avoid possible hazards, maintain pool / spa water per standards as detailed in this document.
- Sudden or prolonged immersion in water warmer than normal body temperature may cause a condition known as Hyperthermia and related injuries.
  - Hyperthermia occurs when the internal temperature of the body reaches a level several degrees higher than the normal body temperature of 98.6° F (37° C).
  - The symptoms of Hyperthermia include, but are not limited to, a failure to perceive heat, slurred speech or mumbling, slow, shallow breathing, weak pulse, clumsiness, drowsiness or low energy level, confusion, poor decision-making, lack of concern about personal welfare; progressive loss of consciousness resulting in danger of drowning.
  - The effects of Hyperthermia include failure of the nervous system, respiratory system and heart; failure to recognize the need to exit spa; unawareness of impending hazard; physical inability to exit the spa; progressive loss of consciousness resulting in danger of drowning.
  - Persons having an adverse medical history. or pregnant women, should consult a physician before immersing in a
    warm body of water. Children and the elderly should be supervised by a responsible adult.
  - When pregnant, soaking in warm water for long periods of time can harm the fetus.
  - The use of alcohol, drugs, or medication can greatly increase the risk of fatal Hyperthermia.
  - · Exit immediately if uncomfortable, dizzy, or sleepy.
- Sudden or prolonged immersion in water colder than normal body temperature may cause a condition known as Hypothermia and related injuries.
  - Hypothermia occurs when the internal temperature of the body reaches a level several degrees below the normal body temperature of 98.6° F (37° C).
  - The symptoms of Hypothermia include, but are not limited to, shivering (although as hypothermia worsens, shivering stops), slurred speech or mumbling, slow, shallow breathing, weak pulse, clumsiness, drowsiness or low energy level, confusion, poor decision-making, lack of concern about personal welfare, unconsciousness, and bright red, cold skin (in infants).
  - The effects of Hypothermia include failure of the nervous system, respiratory system and heart; failure to recognize the need to exit spa or cold plunge; unawareness of impending hazard; fetal damage in pregnant women; physical inability to exit the spa or cold tub; progressive loss of consciousness resulting in danger of drowning.
  - Persons having an adverse medical history. or pregnant women, should consult a physician before immersing in a cold body of water. Children and the elderly should be supervised by a responsible adult.
  - When pregnant, soaking in cold water for long periods of time can harm the fetus.
  - The use of alcohol, drugs, or medication can greatly increase the risk of fatal Hypothermia.
  - Exit immediately if uncomfortable, dizzy, shivering, or sleepy.
- This appliance is not to be used by persons (including children) with reduced physical, sensory, or mental capabilities, or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they have been given supervision or instruction.
- Children must be supervised and are not to play with the appliance.
- If multiple heat pumps are on-site, confirm that the multiple heat pump configuration has been utilized. This will prevent multiple heat pumps attempting to start at the same time, causing an excessive power drop at start-up.

## **NOTICE**

Failure to heed the following may result in damage to equipment.

- Maintain proper water chemistry to avoid damage to the pump, filter, pool shell, etc.
- Water flow exceeding the maximum flow rate requires a bypass. Damage due to excessive water flow will void the warranty.
- Failure to protect equipment against corrosive conditions will adversely affect the life of the equipment and will void equipment warranty.

## SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

## 1 - Operation

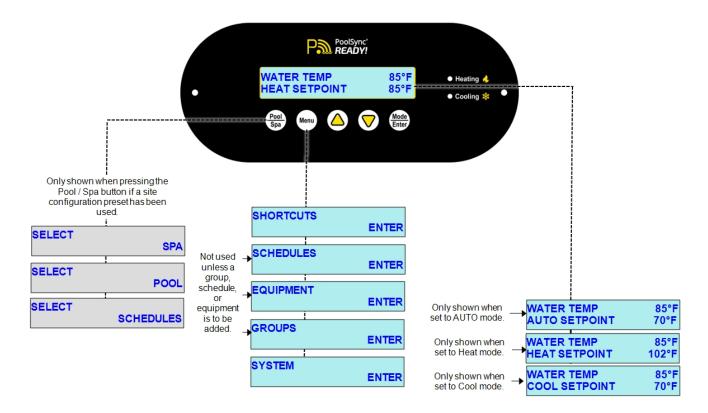
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## 1.1 Display Panel

The following information outlines the operation for a standard installation.

Control Buttons will operate differently for custom installations; such as:

- When a heat pump is connected to an external controller or multiple heat pump configuration.
- When a site configuration preset has been used.
- When a group or schedule has been created.



## Buttons

Button	Description		
	Select either the POOL or SPA mode. Any connected valves or circulation pumps will activate. To deactivate, press the "Pool/Spa" button again.  If an option is highlighted, it will automatically activate after 10 seconds. To deactivate and		
Pool	resume operation, select "Schedules". This button is only active if a group and schedules have been created.		
Spa	NOTE		
	The standard (from the factory) heat pump <u>does not have</u> a group or schedule. These can be created as needed depending on if a heat pump option has been utilized. See <u>Product Manual Options</u> for more information on available options.		
Menu	Enter the user menus for heat pump options. Also used to exit from a menu. Press and hold the MENU button to exit to the main status screen.		
	Used to increase temperature setpoint and navigate through menu options.		
$\bigcirc$	Used to decrease temperature setpoint and navigate through menu options.		
Mode Enter	Used to select the heat pump's operating mode. Also used to edit or confirm options in a menu.		

## **Indicator Lights**

Indicator	Description	
Heating	Red LED indicates the heat pump is heating the water.	
Cooling	Blue LED indicates the heat pump is cooling the water.	
When calling for heating or cooling, up to a three-minute delay may		
occur before the compressor starts.		

## Displays

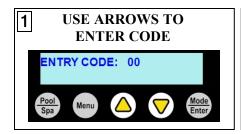
	Display	Description
Entry code required	ENTRY CODE 00	The heat pump has a user lock enabled. See "Using Entry Code to Access Heat Pump" on the next page.
No water flow	NO POOL/SPA WATER FLOW HEAT SETPOINT 75°F	No water flow is detected. The filter pump is off or the heat pump is not receiving the correct water flow.
Primary Heat Pump	WATER TEMP 71°F PRIMARY UNIT	Primary heat pump controlling other connected heat pumps
Remote Controlled - by primary Heat Pump	WATER TEMP 71°F SECONDARY UNIT 01	Heat Pump is set to be controlled by another connected heat pump.
Remote Controlled - by external controller	WATER TEMP 75°F UNDER REMOTE CONTROL	Heat Pump is set to be controlled by an external controller.
Set to 75° F - Maintaining	WATER TEMP 70°F AUTO SETPOINT 75°F	Maintaining a water temperature set on the thermostat. In this example, the pool thermostat has been set to 75° F.
Set to 45° F - Cooling	WATER TEMP 70°F COOL SETPOINT 45°F	Cooling water to point set on the thermostat. In this example, the pool thermostat has been set to 45° F.
Set to 75° F - Heating	WATER TEMP 70°F HEAT SETPOINT 75°F	Heating water to point set on the thermostat. In this example, the pool thermostat has been set to 75° F.
Set to Off	WATER TEMP 70°F HEAT PUMP OFF	The heat pump has been deactivated using the "Mode / Enter" button. The heat pump will automatically restart on the next scheduled call for heating or cooling. Other activated devices will continue to operate

## 1.2 Programming

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## 1.2.A Using Entry Code to Access Heat Pump

If a user entry code has been enabled in the user menu, an entry code will be required to access heat pump options.





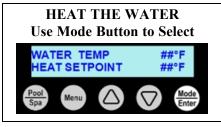
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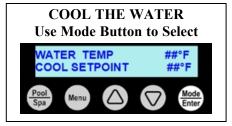
- If the entry code has been misplaced, the heat pump will need to be reset to factory defaults.
- After three minutes of inactivity, the heat pump's sleep mode will activate.

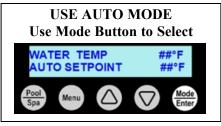
## 1.2.B Activate HEAT Mode, COOL Mode, AUTO Mode, or Deactivate Equipment

Press "Mode / Enter" button until the desired mode is displayed.

- "HEAT" mode After the fan and compressor start, the red "Heating" light will activate.
- "COOL" mode After the fan and compressor start, the blue "Cooling" light will activate.
- "AUTO" mode After the fan and compressor start, the heat pump will maintain the set temperature within 1°. The red "Heating" or blue "Cooling" light will activate.
- "OFF" The heat pump will indicate it is deactivated. Any equipment connected to the heat pump will continue to operate. To deactivate all equipment connected to the heat pump, activate the service mode. See "Service Mode" on page 21.









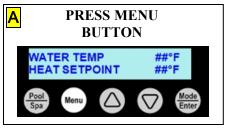
## 1.2.C Setting Date and Time

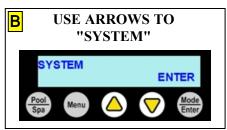
The date and time are required in order to allow schedules to operate properly. Set the heat pump's date and time using the following steps.

## PLEASE NOTE:

If a PoolSync<sup>®</sup> device is attached and in-use, the time and date will automatically be set and maintained. Be sure to select the proper time zone in the PoolSync<sup>®</sup> menu.

## Enter "System" menus, then proceed

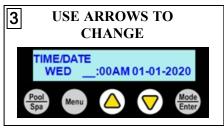
















## 1.2.D Setting Date and Time Format

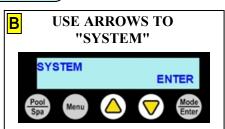
The heat pump's date and time format can be customized.

Customize Time

The time can be displayed in 24-hour *military* time (the default display is 12-hour).

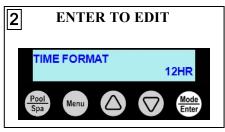
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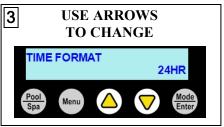


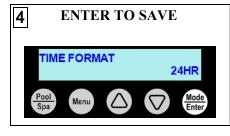


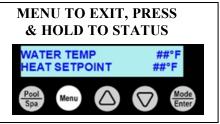








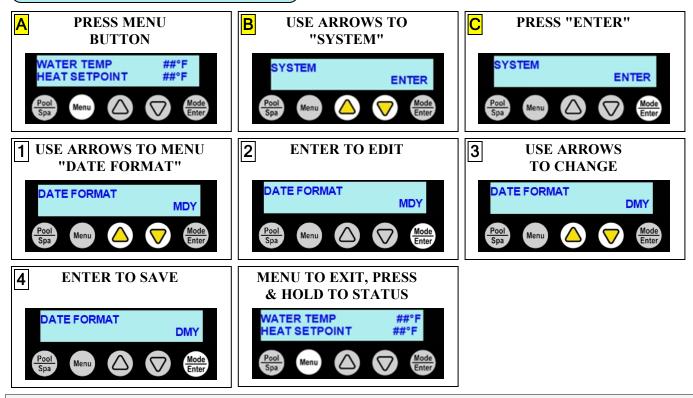




Customize Date

The date can be displayed as Day-Month-Year (the default is Month-Day-Year).

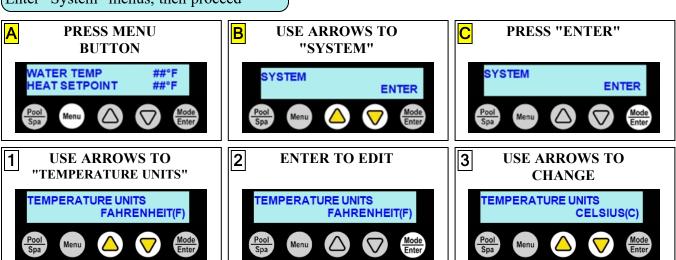
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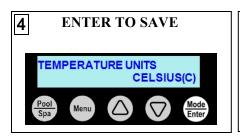


## 1.2.E Selecting Celsius or Fahrenheit

The user has the option of changing the way the water temperature is displayed. Either in Fahrenheit or Celsius. In the following example, the temperature units are changed from Fahrenheit to Celsius.

Enter "System" menus, then proceed







## 1.2.F Set a desired temperature (setpoint) for the Heat Pump to activate

Press the up or down arrow to set the desired temperature (setpoint) for the water.

- The heating indicator will illuminate when heating the water.
- The cooling indicator will illuminate when cooling the water.

#### PLEASE NOTE:

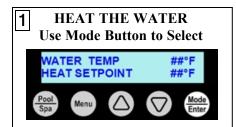
• The maximum temperature the Heat Pump can be set to is 104° F (40° C).

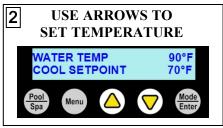
### PLEASE NOTE:

The heat pump will not operate if incoming water temperatures are above  $108^{\circ} F$  (42° C). If sustained water temperatures will fall below 32° F (0° C), the equipment must be winterized in order to prevent damage. See "Winterizing" on page 39.

### NOTE:

If a group's schedule is active and the temperature setpoint is changed, that group's temperature setpoint will also be changed.







## 1.2.G Using Shortcuts

The shortcuts menu provides quick access to model specific options and features. The following outlines some of these options.

## **Service Mode**

This mode will deactivate the heat pump as well as all equipment connected to the heat pump.

• (See "Service Mode" on page 21 for more information.)

## **Group Access**

### NOTE

The standard (from the factory) heat pump <u>does not have</u> a group or schedule. These can be created as needed depending on if a heat pump option has been utilized. See <u>Product Manual Options</u> for more information on available options.

As a group is created, a shortcut automatically appears in the shortcuts menu. The user can activate the group by shortcut and will be asked how long to operate that group.

- Multiple group shortcuts can operate at the same time. The time remaining for each group to operate will appear on the status screen.
- After the group shortcut timer expires, the heat pump group will resume its normally scheduled activity.
- To cancel the group shortcut's operation before its timer expires, go to the shortcut menu, select it, and choose "STOP".

#### PLEASE NOTE:

The Spa and Pool groups (if applicable) will not appear in the shortcuts menu. Use the schedules or the Pool / Spa button to activate those groups.

## Schedule Mode

#### NOTE

The standard (from the factory) heat pump <u>does not have</u> a group or schedule. These can be created as needed depending on if a heat pump option has been utilized. See <u>Product Manual Options</u> for more information on available options.

There are three modes that can be set when running schedules.

- "AUTO" The default mode. This allows schedules to run normally.
- "AWAY" This mode is generally used when the user is away on vacation and doesn't want to maintain a water temperature. The heat pump will be deactivated while the rest of the schedules (including filtration) are allowed to continue.
- "OFF" This mode turns off all schedules. The schedules resume when the schedule mode is set to "AUTO" again.

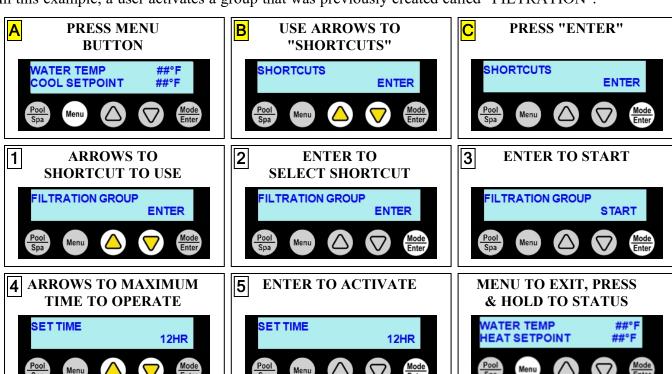
## **Turbo Boost (Variable Speed Heat Pumps Only)**

Upon demand, the heat pump's compressor can be set to maximum speed to heat or cool the water quickly. This is regardless of any previously set efficiency mode settings.

- The system will heat or cool the water with the compressor speed set to maximum. This will continue until the set temperature is reached. Then the configured efficiency mode (either 24-hour or scheduled) will resume.
- (See "Configure Variable Speed Compressors (Select Units)" on page 25 for more information.)

#### **Using a Group Shortcut**

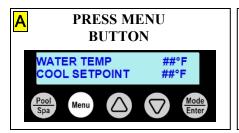
In this example, a user activates a group that was previously created called "FILTRATION".



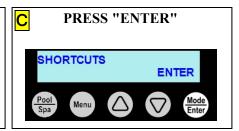
On the status screen the group will show as active. It will then display the time remaining before the group expires.

#### **Stopping a Group Shortcut**

In this example a group called "FILTRATION" is deactivated before it's time expires.







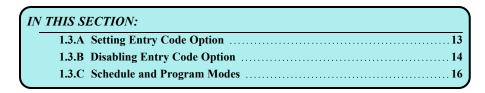








## 1.3 Optional Programming



## 1.3.A Setting Entry Code Option

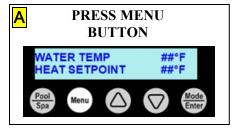
The entry code feature can prevent unauthorized access to the heat pump adjustments. This feature initiates after the heat pump goes into the sleep mode for the first time. This feature is commonly used on commercial applications.

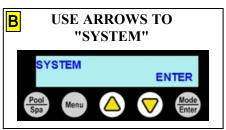
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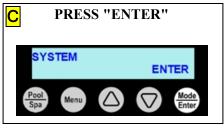
Failure to heed the following may result in damage to equipment.

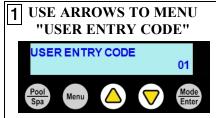
• Before enabling the entry code feature, be sure to record the code. If lost, the heat pump will require a program reset to regain access. This reset may require additional configuration by the installer.

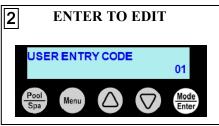
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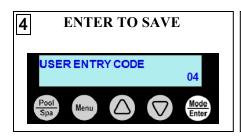




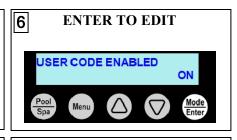


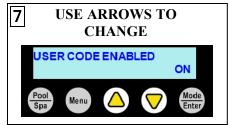














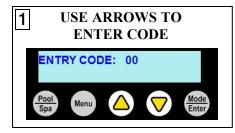


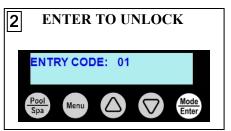
## 1.3.B Disabling Entry Code Option

#### PLEASE NOTE -

• If an entry code has already been activated, the code must be entered before proceeding to disable.

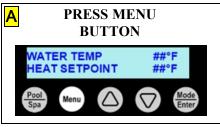
## Use Entry Code

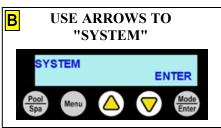




### Disable User Lock

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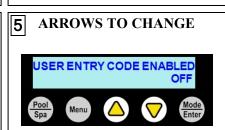




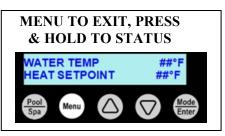












## 1.3.C Schedule and Program Modes

If the heat pump uses groups and schedules, the schedules can be deactivated temporarily as needed. Either globally through a schedule mode, or individually by setting a group's program mode.

## NOTE

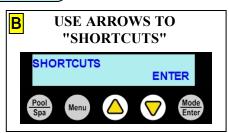
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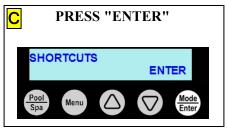
SCHEDULE MODE	Description	
"AUTO"	The default mode. This allows schedules to run normally.	See "Set Schedule Mode to "AUTO"" on the next page.
"AWAY"	This mode is generally used when the user is away on vacation and doesn't want to maintain water temperature. The heat pump will be deactivated while the rest of the schedules (including filtration) are allowed to continue.	See "Set Schedule Mode to "AWAY"" on the next page.
"OFF"	This mode turns off all schedules. The schedules resume when the schedule mode is set to "AUTO" again. Please note - this will also halt any connected circulation pump activity. This option is not meant for long term usage.	See "Set Schedule Mode to "OFF" on page 18.

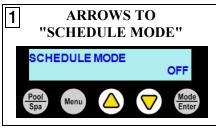
PROGRAM MODE	Description	
"ON"	A group's scheduled programs are set to operate normally.	See "Set Group Programs to "ON"" on page 18.
"PAUSED"	A group's scheduled programs will be paused. The programs will automatically resume the next scheduled day. No other group's activities will be effected.	See "Set Group Programs to "PAUSED"" on page 19.
"OFF"	This mode turns off all schedule programs for the group indefinitely. Programs resume when the program mode is set to "ON" again.	See "Set Group Programs to "OFF" on page 20.

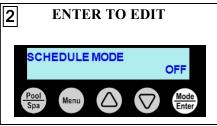
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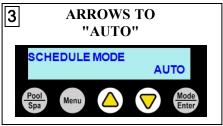


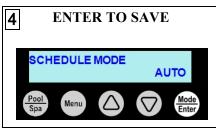


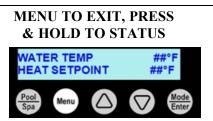






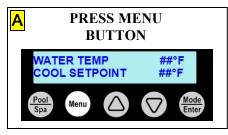


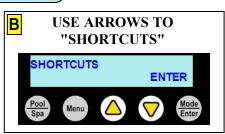


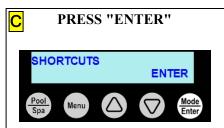


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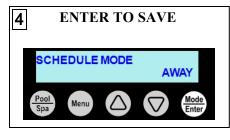


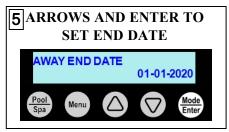


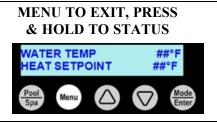








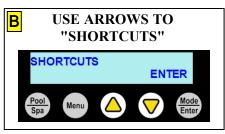


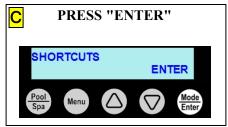


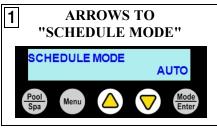
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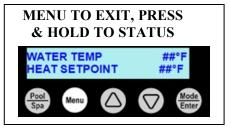








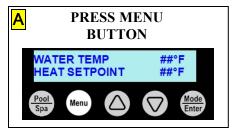




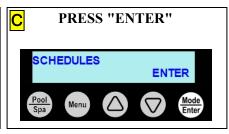
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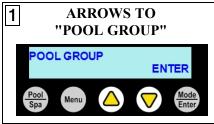
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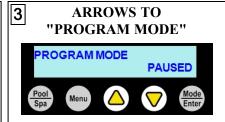


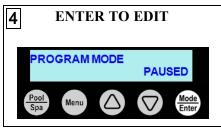






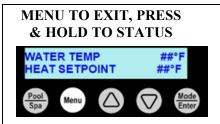








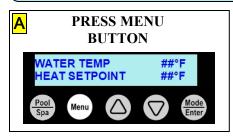




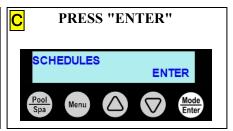
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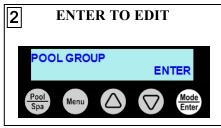
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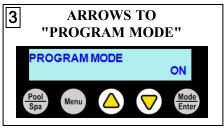


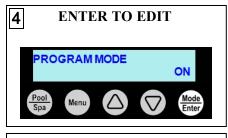


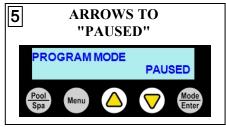


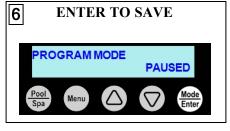


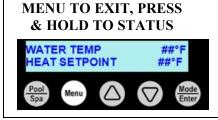










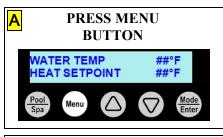


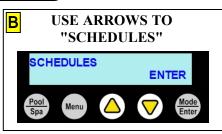
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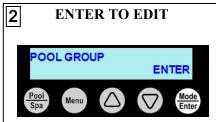
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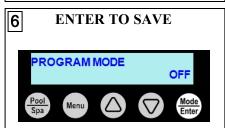












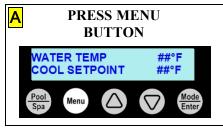


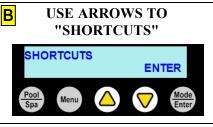
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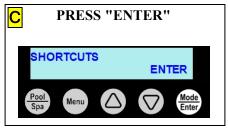
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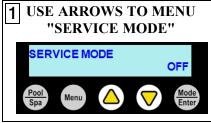
The heat pump can be set into a service mode where all connected devices and programmed schedules including the heat pump can be deactivated for servicing. While in service mode, connected devices / equipment can be manually activated as needed.

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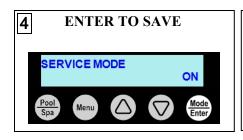














When service is complete, repeat above steps setting SERVICE MODE to "OFF".

## 2.2 Service Help

The following websites will help qualified service technicians service and repair heat pump equipment.



Failure to heed the following will result in injury or death.

- The heat pump utilizes high voltage and rotating equipment. Use caution when servicing.
- RISK OF ELECTRICAL SHOCK FROM ENERGY STORED IN CAPACITORS MODELS EQUIPPED WITH VARIABLE FREQUENCY COMPRESSOR DRIVES STORE ELECTRICITY EVEN AFTER THE POWER HAS BEEN DEACTIVATED AT THE POWER BREAKER. Wait for 2 minutes after the shut down of equipment before servicing.
- Heat Pump equipment must be installed within manufacturer specifications and must follow all National and/or State and Local installation guidelines.
- Follow all National Electric Codes (NEC) and/or State and Local guidelines.



Failure to heed the following may result in minor or moderate injury.

• Servicing of this equipment by anyone other than a qualified technician can result in a safety hazard.

Ordering Parts - <a href="https://www.aquacal.com/looking-for-a-part/">https://www.aquacal.com/looking-for-a-part/</a></a>
Sizing Equipment - <a href="https://sizing.aquacal.com/">https://sizing.aquacal.com/</a>

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## 2.3.A Adjusting Water Flow Using ΔT (Delta-T)

The Delta-T is the temperature difference between the water temperatures entering and leaving the heat pump.

The equipment can be fine-tuned for maximum performance by balancing water flow rates to maintain an ideal  $\Delta T$ .

## The adjustment procedure must be completed with the unit in heating mode

## PLEASE NOTE -

- The installation of temperature ports is required for all commercial applications.
- The installation of temperature ports is strongly recommended for residential installations.
- 1. Adjust the thermostat to its lowest setting with the unit in heating mode.
- 2. Deactivate the water filtration pump.
- 3. Confirm that the filters leading to the heat pump are clean.
- 4. Adjust the valves controlling water headed towards the heat pump to the half-open position.
- 5. Adjust the valves controlling water leading away from the heat pump to a fully open position.
- 6. Activate the pool water filtration pump.
- 7. Slowly raise the thermostat temperature until the heat pump activates.
  - After a four-minute delay, the heat pump's compressor will start.
- 8. With the heat pump running, confirm the filtration pump is operating properly with adequate flow and no short cycling.
- 9. Wait for water temperatures to stabilize (approximately 5 minutes).
- 10. Adjust valves in the following order using the temperature chart provided.
  - a. Adjust the valve that controls water exiting the heat pump until the correct temperature differential is achieved. Match the temperature measured with a temperature probe to the chart.
  - b. Wait for water temperatures to stabilize. Then check the temperature again. Re-adjust the valve as needed.
- 11. Mark valves at these positions for future reference.

HEAT EXCHANGER TYPE	MODEL	TEMPERATURE
Titanium ThermoLink®	SQ120R	3° to 7° F (1.7° C to 3.9° C)
Titanium ThermoLink®	SQ125	3° to 7° F (1.7° C to 3.9° C)
Titanium ThermoLink®	SQ145	3° to 7° F (1.7° C to 3.9° C)
Titanium ThermoLink®	SQ150VS	3° to 7° F (1.7° C to 3.9° C)

# Temperature Port (Shown with Probe)



HEAT EXCHANGER TYPE	MODEL	TEMPERATURE
Titanium ThermoLink®	SQ166R	3° to 8° F (1.7° C to 4.4° C)
Titanium ThermoLink®	SQ225	4° to 9° F (2.2° C to 5° C)
Tube-in-Tube	T035	1° to 4° F (.5° C to 2.2° C)
Tube-in-Tube	T055	2° to 5° F (1.1° C to 2.8° C)
Tube-in-Tube	T075	3° to 7° F (1.7° C to 3.9° C)
Titanium ThermoLink®	T090	3° to 6° F (1.7° C to 3.3° C)
Titanium ThermoLink®	T091	3° to 6° F (1.7° C to 3.3° C)
Titanium ThermoLink®	T115	3° to 7° F (1.7° C to 3.9° C)
Titanium ThermoLink®	T116	3° to 7° F (1.7° C to 3.9° C)
Titanium ThermoLink®	T135	4° to 8° F (2.2° C to 4.4° C)
Titanium ThermoLink®	T135R	4° to 8° F (2.2° C to 4.4° C)
Titanium Tube-in-Tube	TC500	2° to 5° F (1.1° C to 2.8° C)
Titanium ThermoLink®	TC1000	2° to 5° F (1.1° C to 2.8° C)
Titanium ThermoLink®	TC1500	3° to 7° F (1.7° C to 3.9° C)

Table 1 - Temperature Chart

## PLEASE NOTE -

- Temperature differences are based on pool water temperatures of 69° to 75° F. (20.5° to 23.8° C)
- For water temperatures outside this range, contact AquaCal\*. See "Contacting AquaCal AutoPilot, Inc." on page 1.

## 2.3.B Configure Variable Speed Compressors (Select Units)

Selected heat pumps have variable speed compressors designed to more quickly and efficiently reach a temperature set point. The compressor's performance can be controlled using a turbo boost mode (in the shortcuts menus) or two different types of efficiency modes.

### Turbo Boost

Upon demand, the heat pump's compressor can be set to maximum speed to heat or cool the water quickly. This is regardless of any previously set efficiency mode settings.

- The system will heat or cool the water with the compressor speed set to maximum. This will continue until the set temperature is reached. Then the configured efficiency mode (scheduled or 24-hour) will resume.
- See "Turbo Boost" below.

## Efficiency Mode - 24 Hour

When using this mode, the compressor increases to a higher rate of speed until the temperature set point is reached.

- The compressor speed will then lower to maintain that temperature set point. This will continue as long as there is water flow.
- See "Set Efficiency Mode to 24 Hour" on the facing page.

## Efficiency Mode - Filtration Schedule

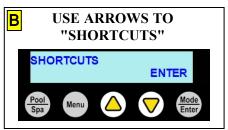
When using this mode, the compressor's speed is set to heat or cool the water within 60% of the circulation pump's filtration time period. This is the highest efficiency operational mode, providing the lowest cost of operation.

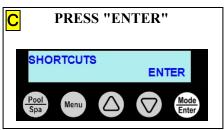
- Example If the filtration period is set from 10:00 am to 8:00 pm, the system attempts to bring the water to set point by 4:00 pm at optimal performance.
- See "Set Efficiency Mode to Filtration Schedule" on the facing page.

#### Turbo Boost

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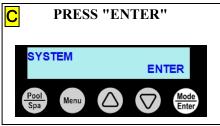


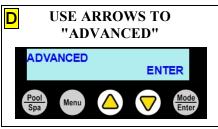
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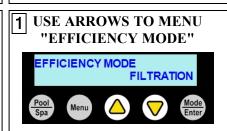


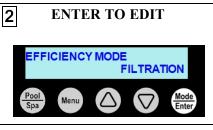
















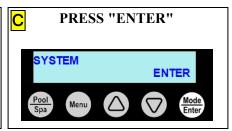


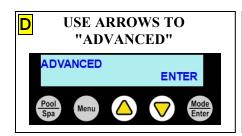
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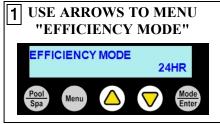


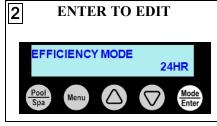


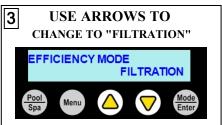




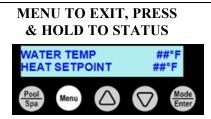




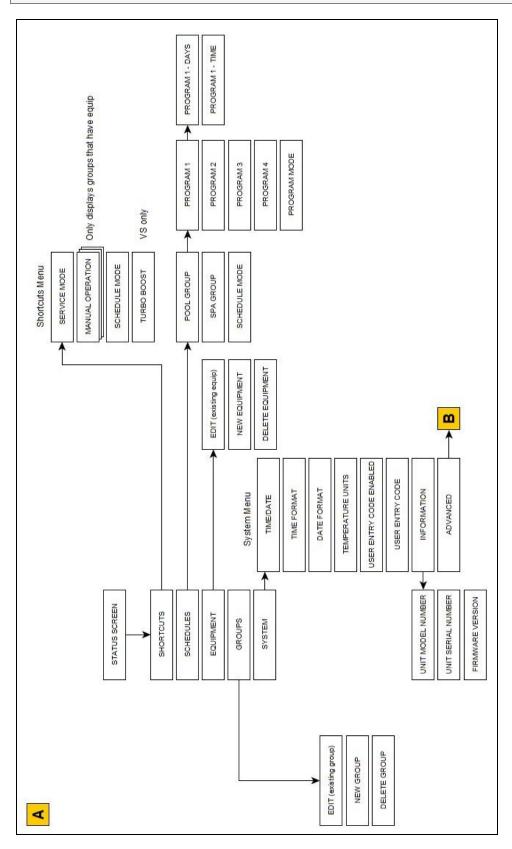


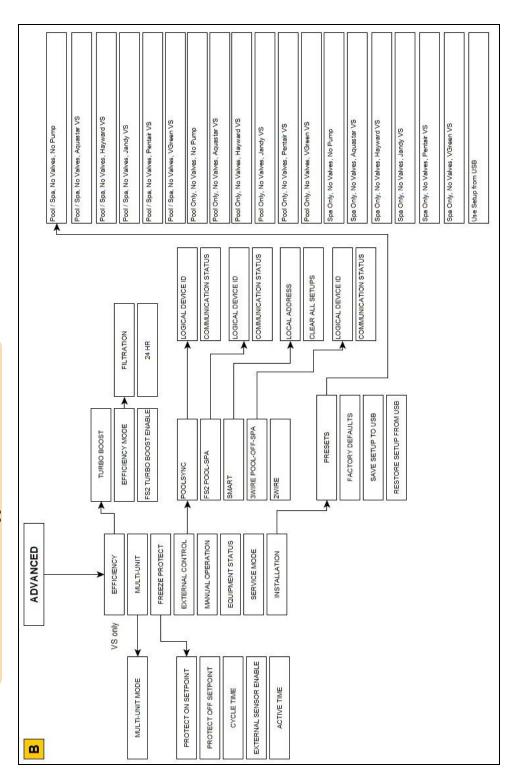






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## 2.5.A Additional Options

## Additional product option advice is available online in the options manuals.

https://www.aquacal.com/hp11-options-manuals/

This includes the following:

- Circulation pump control,
- Solar control,
- Using External Controllers,
- Installing expansion boards,
- Connecting relays and actuators, using installation presets, and setting up groups and schedules.

#### 2.5.B Available Accessories

Accessories may be purchased through an authorized dealer of AquaCal® products.

### (Bypass Valve Kit (# STK0135)

- When high flow rates are outside recommended specifications, please use this kit or an alternative bypass valve system.
- This kit can be used to control excessive water flow through the heat pump. It provides automatic flow adjustments for most applications.



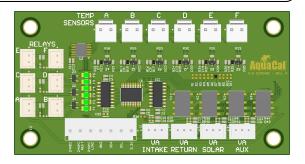
### **Condensation Drain Kit (# STK0202)**

• Used when condensation water flow must be directed to a specific location.



## (Expansion Board Upgrade Kit (# STK0271)

 This kit contains an upgrade board that will give the heat pump direct control of actuators, circulation pumps, and relaycontrolled devices.



## Spa Turbo Boost Flow Switch Kit (# STK0244)

- This kit is used to allow for rapid heating of a Spa when a variable speed heat pump is controlled by certain Automation Systems.
- This switch can also be used in place of the water pressure switch. This may be needed when the pool / spa elevation is higher than the heat pump. A higher elevation of the water can cause a false signal to the heat pump; indicating water is flowing through the heat pump when it isn't.

## Liquid Blankets

- An invisible liquid heat barrier designed to retain heat and extend the swimming season.
- AquaCal® recommends Lo-Chlor® Aqua Blanket™.



## (Plumbing Unions

• 2 Inch Unions - (# PLS2627)



## (PoolSync® WI-FI Controller (ECP0343)

- This kit will add WiFi control capabilities to the heat pump.
- Contact installing dealer to order this product.





#### Temperature Port Kit (# STK0096)

- This port can be used to adjust water flow using Delta-T.
- The kit comes with port, installation components, and a temperature probe.



## 2.5.C Water Chemistry

Check water chemistry regularly and maintain within recommended levels. Standards vary in different residential and commercial applications. Follow all local applicable codes.

## **NOTICE**

Failure to heed the following may result in damage to equipment.

- Do not allow water to flow through the heat pump when refinishing or acid washing a pool. Use an installed bypass to route water away from the heat pump or deactivate the filter pump.
- To avoid damage to equipment, monitor and maintain chemistry within recommended levels.

CHEMISTRY LEVEL CHART (RESIDENTIAL)						
Chlorine	1.0 - 3.0  ppm	3.0 - 5.0  ppm				
Cinorine	(1-3  mg/L)	(3-5  mg/L)				
Bromine	2.0 - 6.0  ppm	2.0 - 6.0  ppm				
Diomine	(2-6  mg/L)	(2-6  mg/L)				
Cyanuric Acid	30 – 50 ppm	30 – 50 ppm				
Cyanuric Acid	(30 - 50  mg/L)	(30 - 50  mg/L)				
pН	7.4 – 7.6	7.4 - 7.6				
Total	80 – 120 ppm	80 – 120 ppm				
Alkalinity	(80 - 120  mg/L)	(80 – 120 mg/L)				
Calcium	200 – 400 ppm	150 – 250 ppm				
Hardness	(200 – 400 mg/L)	(150 – 250 mg/L)				
Total	0 – 1500 ppm	1500 (1.5 g/L) ppm above start-up				
Dissolved Solids*	(0-1.5  g/L)	of total dissolved solids in spas				

<sup>\*</sup> Salt from a chlorine generator is not included in Total Dissolved Solids.

## 2.5.D Cleaning Equipment

Cleaning and polishing the heat pump regularly can protect its appearance and longevity. More frequent servicing may be required for heat pumps located in sandy or coastal areas where sand and salt spray can damage equipment.

## **AWARNING**

Failure to heed the following may result in injury or death.

• Possible electric shock hazard - Deactivate power to all electrical devices on the pad when washing heat pump. Do not restore electrical power until equipment is completely dry.

## **NOTICE**

Failure to heed the following may result in damage to equipment.

- Do not use a pressure cleaner to wash the heat pump. Damage to heat pump components may result. If using a hose-end spray nozzle adjust the spray pattern to low strength only.
- Do not spray water directly into the interior of the heat pump; damage to components may result.
- Do not use chemicals on the display panel.

### Cleaning

- 1. Wash cabinet using a <u>low-pressure</u> water hose. A high-pressure water stream will cause damage to the aluminum fins of the heat pump. This damage is not covered under the product warranty.
- 2. While the heat pump is still wet, use an approved cleaning agent to clean the exterior of the heat pump. **Do not use chemicals on the display panel.**
- 3. Use a detergent-dampened cloth to wipe the heat pump's exterior cabinet.
- 4. Flush all exterior with fresh water using a low-pressure water hose.
- 5. Dry the cabinet using a soft cloth being careful not to damage fins.

APPROVED CLEANING AGENTS*
Fantastic*
Formula 409®
Cascade <sup>®</sup>
All Power Plain Detergent (3% Solution)

Table 2 - Cleaning Agents

• The trademarks used in approved cleaning agents are the property of their owners and are not related to AquaCal\*.

# **Polishing**

- 1. Polish the heat pump's cabinet panels using an approved polishing agent and following the manufacturer's instructions. **Do not use chemicals on the display panel.**
- 2. Rinse the heat pump panels with fresh water, wipe, and buff panels using a dry soft cloth.
- 3. Allow heat pump interior and surrounding equipment to "air-dry" for several hours prior to restoring electrical power.

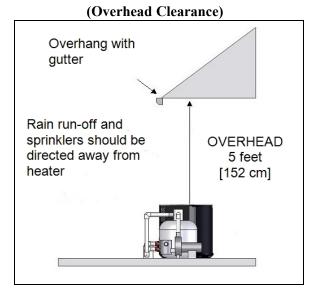
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Glo-Coat®
Armor All® Protectant

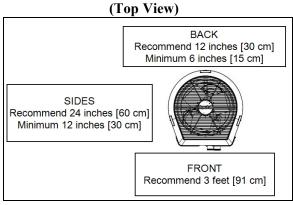
Table 3 - Polishing Agents

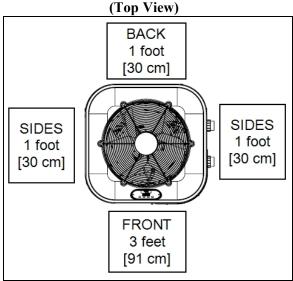
• The trademarks used in approved polishing agents are the property of their owners and are not related to AquaCal\*.

# 2.5.E Clearances

- Proper air circulation is required for the heat pump to operate efficiently. The following diagrams show the minimum clearances required for the proper operation of the heat pump.
- Avoid storing corrosive chemicals near the heat pump to minimize potential damage to the exterior of the heat pump.
- Avoid placing objects near or on top of the heat pump. This includes shrubbery and lawn furniture. These objects will reduce performance and efficiency and hinder maintenance access.
- Heat pumps must not be installed indoors or in enclosed areas.







# 2.5.F Irrigation and Storm Run-Off

- Irrigation water may damage heat pump components. Direct irrigation water away from the heat pump.
- The heat pump will withstand normal rainfall. Do not allow a roof slope to direct rainwater onto the heat pump. Have a gutter installed on the roof edge to direct this water away from the heat pump. Or install the heat pump in another location.

# NOTICE

Failure to heed the following may result in damage to equipment.

- By default (from the factory) the Freeze Protection feature **WILL NOT** protect the heat pump.
  - The Freeze Protection feature is dependent on equipment controlled by properly configured groups. Damage due to improperly configured or operated heat pumps are not covered under warranty.

When the heat pump and freeze protection has been properly configured to control the circulation pump, water is circulated through designated group's plumbing circuits in 5 minute cycles. The water circulation lowers the chances of water freezing in those circuits. See <a href="Product Manual Options">Product Manual Options</a> for more information on available heat pump options and properly configuring groups.

# Requirements for Freeze Protection

- A circulation pump must exist in the group to be protected.
- Water flow must be properly directed through a group's plumbing circuit.
- The group's freeze protection option must be set to on.

### If properly configured:

- Freeze protection will automatically activate when the water temperature falls below 37° F (3° C).
- When the water temperature rises to 42° F (6° C), freeze protection will deactivate.
- These set temperatures and cycle times can be adjusted as needed in settings. See "Adjusting Freeze Protection Options" on the next page.

# *NOTE*:

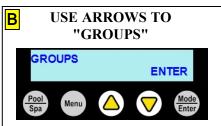
- Freeze protection is meant to be temporary. If freezing temperatures will continue for an extended time frame, the pool equipment *must* be winterized.
- The heat pump will not attempt to heat water in freezing conditions.
- As a group cycles on and off, any devices contained within that group will also cycle on and
  off. If this behavior is undesirable, the device can either be removed from the group or
  manually deactivated.
- If a freeze protection air sensor has been installed and enabled, the air will be monitored instead of water.

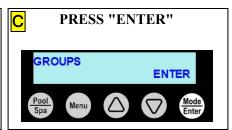
# Adjusting Groups to Allow Freeze Protection

In the following example, a "FOUNTAIN" group is edited to enable freeze protection.

# (Enter "Groups" menus, then proceed







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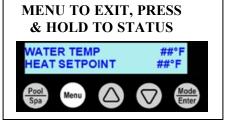












Adjusting Freeze Protection Options

# **NOTICE**

Failure to heed the following may result in damage to equipment.

• Use extreme care when setting and adjusting freeze protection options. Improper freeze protection settings can cause damage to equipment. This is not covered by heat pump warranty.

Available freeze protection options:

- "PROTECT ON SETPOINT" can be adjusted from 33° F to 39° F (.6° C to 4° C). The default is 37° F (3° C).
- "PROTECT OFF SETPOINT" can be adjusted from  $40^\circ$  F to  $45^\circ$  F ( $4^\circ$  C to  $7^\circ$  C). The default is  $42^\circ$  F ( $5.5^\circ$  C).
- "CYCLE TIME" can be adjusted from 5 to 20 minutes. The default is 5 minutes.
- "ACTIVE TIME" can be adjusted from 15 to 120 minutes. The default is 60 minutes.

Enter "Advanced" menus, then proceed

























# 2.5.H Initial Heating Recommendations

The following recommendations will reduce the amount of time required to heat a pool. **If unsure of equipment heating capability, review equipment data plate.** See "*Identifying Model Specifications*" on page 41.

# NOTE

Using a pool blanket or liquid blanket can allow the water to retain heat and have quicker heating times. See "Liquid Blankets" on page 31.

- 1. Confirm the valves are turned to the correct body of water.
- 2. Set the pool time clock to 24 hour operation.
- 3. Confirm the mode has been set to "HEAT" mode.
- 4. Set the desired temperature "HEAT SETPOINT" for the water.
- 5. If the heat pump is equipped, activate Turbo Boost Mode
- 6. After the desired temperature has been reached, reset circulation pump time clock to normal time frame.

# 2.5.I Initial Cooling Recommendations

The following recommendations will reduce the amount of time required to cool a pool or cold plunge application. **If unsure of equipment cooling capability, review equipment data plate.** See "*Identifying Model Specifications*" on page 41.

- 1. Confirm the valves are turned to the correct body of water.
- 2. Set the pool time clock to 24 hour operation.
- 3. Confirm the mode has been set to "COOL" mode.
- 4. Set the desired temperature "COOL SETPOINT" for the water.
- 5. If the heat pump is equipped, activate Turbo Boost Mode
- 6. After the desired temperature has been reached, reset circulation pump time clock to normal time frame.

# 2.5.J Standards

### **Conforms To**

UL STD 1995:2015 Ed. 4+R:03Oct2014, 60335-2-40:2019 Ed. 3, 60335-1:2016 Ed. 6

#### Certified To

CSA STD C22 .2#236:2011 Ed. 4, .2#60335-2-40:2019 Ed. 3, C22.2#60335-1:2016 Ed. 2

# 2.5.K Winterizing

Failure to properly winterize the heat pump as needed may result in serious equipment damage.



Failure to heed the following will result in injury or death.

- Deactivate power while routing wiring to control board.
- RISK OF ELECTRICAL SHOCK FROM ENERGY STORED IN CAPACITORS MODELS EQUIPPED WITH VARIABLE FREQUENCY COMPRESSOR DRIVES STORE ELECTRICITY EVEN AFTER THE POWER HAS BEEN DEACTIVATED AT THE POWER BREAKER. Wait for 2 minutes after the shut down of equipment before servicing.
- Heat Pump equipment must be installed within manufacturer specifications and must follow all National and/or State and Local installation guidelines.
- Follow all National Electric Codes (NEC) and/or State and Local guidelines.

# **AWARNING**

Failure to heed the following may result in injury or death.

• Deactivate all electrical power to heat pump before performing hard freeze procedures.

# **NOTICE**

Failure to heed the following may result in damage to equipment.

- Failure to winterize heat pump may result in serious equipment damage. Freeze damage is not covered under the heat pump warranty.
- While the plumbing connections are in the winterized condition (not fully tightened), it is imperative that water not run through the heat pump. Loss of water through loose plumbing connections may result in damage to circulation pump, pool and spa structures, and other equipment.

# **Light Freeze Conditions**

A light freeze is when the ambient air temperature falls below 32 degrees Fahrenheit (0° C) for less than 8 hours. Typically during light freeze conditions circulating (or moving) water will not freeze. Temporarily activate the filter pump for continuous operation during light freeze conditions. If the heat pump is directly controlling a water circulation pump, any groups marked as requiring freeze protection will automatically have water circulated to the equipment. See "Freeze Protection" on page 36.

### **Hard Freeze Conditions**

A hard freeze is when the ambient air temperature falls below 32 degrees Fahrenheit (0° C) for more than 8 hours. In areas where this condition is prevalent and sustained, the heat pump MUST be winterized for hard freeze conditions. Follow the correct procedure depending on the type of heat exchanger found in the heat pump.

# Titanium ThermoLink® Exchanger (with no Drain)

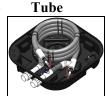
- 1. Disconnect the plumbing to the heat pump at connection unions (removal is counterclockwise).
- 2. Allow water to drain completely from the heat pump. Expect to see a lot of water drain out at first, and then a small amount to continue to drain out over a long period.
- 3. After heat pump has fully drained, loosely reconnect plumbing connection unions.
- 4. Winterizing is complete.
- 5. When ready to use the heat pump again, hand-tighten connection unions. Reconnect electrical power, and set the operating mode on the heat pump. Activate the filter pump.



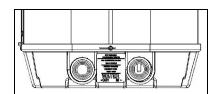
# Titanium Tube-in-Tube Exchanger

- 1. Disconnect the plumbing to the heat pump at connection unions (removal is counter-clockwise).
- 2. Allow water to drain completely from the heat pump. Expect to see a lot of water drain out at first, and then a small amount to continue to drain out over a long period.

Titanium Tube-in-



- 3. Place an air hose into the water inlet of the heat pump; wrap a clean rag around the hose to form a temporary seal.
- 4. Push all water from the water circuit using compressed air no stronger than 50 psig (446 kPa). The residual water should be forced out of the heat pump's water outlet. Allow compressed air to blow into the heat pump inlet for at least 15-20 seconds after the water stops coming out.



- 5. Repeat process on the outlet side of the heat pump.
- 6. Loosely reconnect plumbing connection unions.
- 7. Winterizing is complete.
- 8. When ready to use the heat pump again, hand-tighten connection unions. Reconnect electrical power, and set the operating mode on the heat pump. Activate the filter pump.

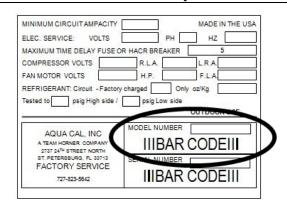
# 2.6 System Information

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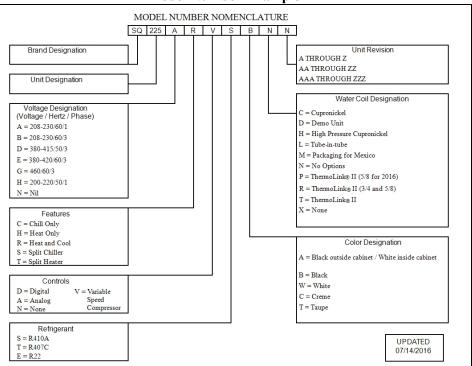
# 2.6.A Identifying Model Specifications

- Find Data Plate The data plate is usually posted on the side of the equipment or the inside of the heat pump's access plate.
- 2. Find the model number on the data plate. The first letters and numbers indicate the model type.
- 3. The complete model number identifies the equipment's specifications.

# Data Plate Example



# **Model Number Example**



# 2.6.B Viewing System Information

The heat pump model, serial number, and firmware version can be viewed in the information menus.

Enter "System" menus, then proceed

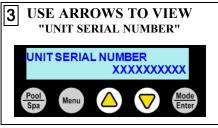


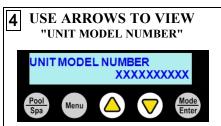




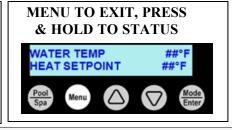












# 2.6.C Water Flow Rates

Maintain water flow rates as indicated. Please note, these specifications relate to the heat pump only. Code-specified whole system turnover rates must be satisfied.

# **NOTICE**

Failure to heed the following may result in damage to equipment.

• Water flow exceeding maximum flow rates will negatively affect the total pool filtration performance and may damage the heat pump. This will not be covered under the equipment warranty.

MODEL	HEAT EXCHANCED TYPE	FLOW RATES		
MODEL	HEAT EXCHANGER TYPE	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM	
SQ120R*	Titanium ThermoLink®	30 GPM (113.6 L/min)	70 GPM (265 L/min)	
SQ125*	Titanium ThermoLink®	30 GPM (113.6 L/min)	70 GPM (265 L/min)	
SQ145*	Titanium ThermoLink®	30 GPM (113.6 L/min)	70 GPM (265 L/min)	
SQ150VS*	Titanium ThermoLink®	30 GPM (113.6 L/min)	70 GPM (265 L/min)	
SQ166R*	Titanium ThermoLink®	30 GPM (113.6 L/min)	70 GPM (265 L/min)	
SQ225*	Titanium ThermoLink®	30 GPM (113.6 L/min)	70 GPM (265 L/min)	
T035	Titanium Tube-in-Tube	20 GPM (75.7 L/min)	45 GPM (170 L/min)	
T055	Titanium Tube-in-Tube	20 GPM (75.7 L/min)	45 GPM (170 L/min)	
T075	Titanium Tube-in-Tube	20 GPM (75.7 L/min)	45 GPM (170 L/min)	
T090*	Titanium ThermoLink®	30 GPM (113.6 L/min)	70 GPM (265 L/min)	
T091*	Titanium ThermoLink®	30 GPM (113.6 L/min)	70 GPM (265 L/min)	
T115*	Titanium ThermoLink®	30 GPM (113.6 L/min)	70 GPM (265 L/min)	
T116*	Titanium ThermoLink®	30 GPM (113.6 L/min)	70 GPM (265 L/min)	
T135*	Titanium ThermoLink®	30 GPM (113.6 L/min)	70 GPM (265 L/min)	

MODEL	HEAT EXCHANGER TYPE	FLOW RATES		
MODEL		MINIMUM	MAXIMUM	
T135R*	Titanium ThermoLink®	30 GPM (113.6 L/min)	70 GPM (265 L/min)	
TC500	Titanium Tube-in-Tube	20 GPM (75.7 L/min)	45 GPM (170 L/min)	
TC1000*	Titanium ThermoLink®	30 GPM (113.6 L/min)	70 GPM (265 L/min)	
TC1500*	Titanium ThermoLink®	30 GPM (113.6 L/min)	70 GPM (265 L/min)	

<sup>\*</sup> Head Loss - 30 GPM = 1.5 PSI, 70 GPM = 8.2 PSI

# PLEASE NOTE -

If minimum flow rates are not met, heat pump output is reduced and performance will suffer. Internal safety devices may deactivate the heat pump with the following errors:

- HIGH PRESSURE FAULT
- HP5 SYSTEM LOCKOUT
- LOW PRESSURE FAULT
- LP5 SYSTEM LOCKOUT
- Operate water filtration devices per manufacturer's specifications. Dirty filters can cause a reduction of water flow to the heat pump. An increase of 7-10 psi (48 to 69 kPa) higher than the clean filter pressure typically reduces flow rates. This requires the filter to be cleaned or back-washed.
- Keep baskets free of debris. A large quantity of debris in the pump and skimmer baskets can reduce water flow.
- Check for improper valve settings. A partially closed valve after the filter, or a full-open bypass around the heat pump, will cause insufficient water flow through the heat pump.
- The maximum operating pressure is 50 psi (345 kPa). These specifications relate to the heat pump only.
- Code-specified whole system turnover rates must be satisfied.

# 3 - Troubleshooting

# **A** DANGER

Failure to heed the following will result in injury or death.

- Deactivate power while routing wiring to control board.
- RISK OF ELECTRICAL SHOCK FROM ENERGY STORED IN CAPACITORS MODELS EQUIPPED WITH VARIABLE FREQUENCY COMPRESSOR DRIVES STORE ELECTRICITY EVEN AFTER THE POWER HAS BEEN DEACTIVATED AT THE POWER BREAKER. Wait for 2 minutes after the shut down of equipment before servicing.
- Heat Pump equipment must be installed within manufacturer specifications and must follow all National and/or State and Local installation guidelines.
- Follow all National Electric Codes (NEC) and/or State and Local guidelines.

# **AWARNING**

Failure to heed the following may result in injury or death.

- Repairs must not be attempted by untrained or unqualified individuals.
- The heat pump contains refrigerant under high pressure. Repairs to the refrigerant circuit must not be attempted by untrained or unqualified individuals. Service must be performed only by qualified HVAC technicians. Recover refrigerant before opening the system.

# NOTICE

Failure to heed the following may result in damage to equipment.

• Service by unauthorized personnel will void the heat pump warranty.

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# 3.1 Fault Codes

A fault code indicates a specific issue or condition that will require action before the equipment can resume operating.

Please perform the following troubleshooting.

If the issue reoccurs, please contact AquaCal. See "Contacting AquaCal AutoPilot, Inc." on page 1.

# **AQUASTAR VS PUMP FAULT**

### **ISSUE**

The heat pump has either lost communication with a connected Aquastar circulation pump. Or the Aquastar pump needs attention.

# RESOLUTION

Check wiring between pump and unit for breaks or damage.

Reset the heat pump and circulation pump power breakers to potentially clear any internal pump faults.

Check circulation pump documentation for further troubleshooting advice on that equipment.

# DEFROST1 SENSOR OPEN or DEFROST2 SENSOR OPEN

### **ISSUE**

Open defrost sensor.

# RESOLUTION

A qualified technician should replace the defrost sensor.

# DEFROST1 SENSOR SHORT or DEFROST2 SENSOR SHORT

### **ISSUE**

Shorted defrost sensor.

# RESOLUTION

A qualified technician should replace the defrost sensor.

# **ERROR AT PRIMARY UNIT**

### **ISSUE**

The heat pump is secondary to a primary heat pump that is displaying a fault code.

# RESOLUTION

The error at the primary heat pump must be corrected before the secondary unit will resume operation.

### **HAYWARD VS PUMP FAULT**

### **ISSUE**

The heat pump has either lost communication with a connected Hayward circulation pump. Or the Hayward pump needs attention.

### RESOLUTION

Check wiring between pump and unit for breaks or damage.

Reset the heat pump and circulation pump power breakers to potentially clear any internal pump faults.

Check circulation pump documentation for further troubleshooting advice on that equipment.

# HIGH PRESSURE FAULT

### **ISSUE**

The refrigerant system's high-pressure switch is showing as open.

### RESOLUTION

### **Heat Only Units**

Determine if the proper amount of water flow is being provided to the equipment.

- 1. Confirm the filter pump is on.
- 2. If a multiple-speed filter pump is being used, run filter pump at a higher speed. Do not exceed the maximum flow rate for the model.
- 3. Confirm water is not being diverted away from the heat pump.
  - See "Water Flow Rates" on page 42.
  - See "Adjusting Water Flow Using  $\Delta T$  (Delta-T)" on page 23.

# **Cool Only Units**

Determine if there is a proper air circulation around the equipment.

- 1. Check for proper fan operation. If the fan is not operating, contact AquaCal\* Technical Support.
- 2. Check for obstructed airflow around the heat pump.
  - See "Clearances" on page 34.
- 3. Check for a dirty or blocked evaporator coil.
  - See "Cleaning Equipment" on page 33.

# **Heat and Cool Units (Reversing)**

Place heat pump in heating mode and perform the following troubleshooting.

Determine if the proper amount of water flow is being provided to the equipment.

- 1. Confirm the filter pump is on.
- 2. If a multiple-speed filter pump is being used, run filter pump at a higher speed. Do not exceed the maximum flow rate for the model.
- 3. Confirm water is not being diverted away from the heat pump.
  - See "Water Flow Rates" on page 42.
  - See "Adjusting Water Flow Using  $\Delta T$  (Delta-T)" on page 23.

# **HIGH WATER TEMP**

### **ISSUE**

Incoming water temperature has exceeded 108° F (42° C) and the unit has been deactivated. The heat pump will not operate until the incoming water temperature drops to 100° F (38° C) or lower.

### RESOLUTION

- 1. Determine if a gas heater is sending water directly to the heat pump. This situation would need to be corrected before continuing.
- 2. If a solar panel system sends water directly to the heat pump (a normal system), this fault can initially arise until water temperature normalizes.
- 3. If the **HIGH WATER TEMP** fault continues to display, the water temperature sensor may require replacement.

# **HP5 SYSTEM LOCKOUT**

### **ISSUE**

The heat pump has locked due to five high-pressure faults during one call for heating or cooling.

### RESOLUTION

- 1. Deactivate then reactivate power to the heat pump to clear error.
- 2. Troubleshoot the high-pressure issue causing the error.
  - See "HIGH PRESSURE FAULT" on the previous page.

### HPC TEMP SYSTEM LOCKOUT

### **ISSUE**

The heat pump's controller board is overheating.

### RESOLUTION

A qualified technician should be contacted to correct the issue.

# **JANDY VS PUMP FAULT**

### **ISSUE**

The heat pump has either lost communication with a connected Jandy circulation pump. Or the Jandy pump needs attention.

### RESOLUTION

Check wiring between pump and unit for breaks or damage.

Reset the heat pump and circulation pump power breakers to potentially clear any internal pump faults.

Check circulation pump documentation for further troubleshooting advice on that equipment.

### LOW PRESSURE FAULT

### **ISSUE**

The refrigerant system's low-pressure switch is showing as open.

### RESOLUTION

# **Heat Only Units**

- 1. Check for proper fan operation. If the fan is not operating, contact AquaCal\* Technical Support.
- 2. Check for obstructed airflow around the heat pump.
  - See "Clearances" on page 34.
- 3. Check for a dirty or blocked evaporator coil.
  - See "Cleaning Equipment" on page 33.
- 4. Check for signs of heavy ice buildup on the coil.

# **Cool Only Units**

Determine if the proper amount of water flow is being provided to the equipment.

- 1. Confirm the filter pump is on.
- 2. If a multiple-speed filter pump is being used, run filter pump at a higher speed. Do not exceed the maximum flow rate for the model.
- 3. Confirm water is not being diverted away from the heat pump.
  - See "Water Flow Rates" on page 42.
  - See "Adjusting Water Flow Using △T (Delta-T)" on page 23.

# **Heat and Cool Units (Reversing)**

Place heat pump in heating mode and perform the following troubleshooting.

- 1. Check for proper fan operation. If the fan is not operating, call for service.
- 2. Check for obstructed airflow around the heat pump.
  - See "Clearances" on page 34.
- 3. Check for a dirty or blocked evaporator coil.
  - See "Cleaning Equipment" on page 33.
- 4. Check for signs of heavy ice buildup on the coil.

# LP5 SYSTEM LOCKOUT

### **ISSUE**

The heat pump has locked due to five low-pressure faults during one call for heating or cooling.

- 1. Deactivate then reactivate power to the heat pump to clear error.
- 2. Troubleshoot the low-pressure issue causing the error.
  - See "LOW PRESSURE FAULT" above.

### **MULTIPLE PRIMARY FAULT**

### **ISSUE**

If more than one heat pump is set as Primary in a multiple heat pump configuration, the primary units can compete for control of the secondaries, causing them to chatter on / off.

### RESOLUTION

1. Verify that only one heat pump is set up as a "PRIMARY" unit in a multiple heat pump configuration.

# MULTI-UNIT COMM FAULT

#### **ISSUE**

Secondary heat pump is not receiving a signal from the primary heat pump.

# RESOLUTION

1. Confirm the primary heat pump is operating correctly. If, for example, no power is supplied to the primary heat pump, an error will appear on the secondary heat pumps.

# NO CONTROLLER COMM

### **ISSUE**

The heat pump is unable to communicate with the display board.

### RESOLUTION

- 1. Power cycle the heat pump at the breaker panel.
- 2. If this does not resolve the issue, a qualified technician should verify the connection between the control board and the display (loose or disconnected cable, crimps in the cable, etc.).
- 3. If the issue reoccurs, please contact AquaCal. See "Contacting AquaCal AutoPilot, Inc." on page 1.

### PENTAIR VS PUMP FAULT

### **ISSUE**

The heat pump has either lost communication with a connected Pentair water pump. Or the Pentair pump needs attention.

### RESOLUTION

Check wiring between pump and unit for breaks or damage.

Reset the heat pump and circulation pump power breakers to potentially clear any internal pump faults.

Check circulation pump documentation for further troubleshooting advice on that equipment.

# **SMART COMM FAULT**

# **ISSUE**

Heat Pump is not receiving a signal from an external controller using a smart connection point.

- 1. Confirm a smart external controller is being used.
  - If unsure, contact installer of heat pump for more information. The heat pump may need to be reconfigured to set external controller to "none".
- 2. If using a smart external controller, confirm the controller is correctly set to send signals to the heat pump. See manuals or guides provided with the external controller.

### **STA-RITE VS PUMP FAULT**

### **ISSUE**

The heat pump has either lost communication with a connected Sta-Rite water pump. Or the Sta-Rite pump needs attention.

### RESOLUTION

Check wiring between pump and unit for breaks or damage.

Reset the heat pump and circulation pump power breakers to potentially clear any internal pump faults.

Check circulation pump documentation for further troubleshooting advice on that equipment.

# **VARIABLE DRIVE FAULT**

# **ISSUE**

A problem was detected in the variable speed compressor.

### RESOLUTION

Deactivate heat pump at power disconnect.

Wait for two minutes for the capacitors to discharge.

Then reactivate heat pump's power at disconnect. If error reoccurs, call for service.

# **VGREEN VS PUMP FAULT**

### **ISSUE**

The heat pump has either lost communication with a connected VGreen circulation pump. Or the VGreen pump needs attention.

### RESOLUTION

Check wiring between pump and unit for breaks or damage.

Reset the heat pump and circulation pump power breakers to potentially clear any internal pump faults.

Check circulation pump documentation for further troubleshooting advice on that equipment.

# WATER TEMP1 SENSOR SHORT or WATER TEMP1 SENSOR OPEN

# **ISSUE**

Open or shorted water sensor.

### RESOLUTION

A qualified technician should replace the water sensor. Until the sensor is replaced, the setpoint is limited to 96° F (35.5° C)

# WATER TEMP2 SENSOR SHORT or WATER TEMP2 SENSOR OPEN

### **ISSUE**

Open or shorted water sensor.

### RESOLUTION

A qualified technician should replace the water sensor. Until the sensor is replaced, the setpoint is limited to 96° F (35.5° C)

# 3.2 Issues and Resolutions

Please perform the following troubleshooting.

For further assistance, please contact AquaCal. See "Contacting AquaCal AutoPilot, Inc." on page 1.

# Blank Display

# **ISSUE**

The Heat Pump may have an incoming power problem.

# RESOLUTION

Confirm electrical power is being supplied to the heat pump from electrical disconnect(s).

# Circulation Pump Won't Activate

### **ISSUE**

A circulation pump controlled by the heat pump will not activate as needed.

### RESOLUTION

- 1. Confirm circulation pump is receiving power.
- 2. Reset circulation pump power breaker to allow internal pump faults to clear.
- 3. Confirm circulation pump is included in any group that requires it. See options manuals for help on using circulation pumps and creating groups.
- 4. Confirm the group containing the circulation pump has an appropriate schedule. See options manuals for help on using circulation pumps and creating schedules.
- 5. Confirm the schedule mode is set to "AUTO" and the scheduled program mode is set to "ON". See "Schedule and Program Modes" on page 16.

# **Display Panel Not Responding**

### **ISSUE**

The heat pump's display panel will not respond to user input.

- 1. If heat pump display shows "UNDER REMOTE CONTROL", use the external control device to control the heat pump.
- 2. If needed, check with the external controller manufacturer for further assistance using that device.

# Displays "DEFROSTING"

### **ISSUE**

The heat pump has sensed the coil is icing up. See "*Ice Forming on the Heat Pump*" on page 58. No action is required.

### RESOLUTION

# **Heat Only Units - Passive Defrost**

When ice starts to form on the coil, the compressor will stop operating while the fan continues to operate.

- The coil will begin to warm to the surrounding air temperature. When the coil's temperature rises above 38° F (3.3° C), the compressor is restarted and heating resumes.
- If the coil's temperature remains below 38° F (3.3° C), the compressor will remain off.

### **Heat and Cool Units - Active Defrost**

Hot refrigerant gas will be sent through the coil to rapidly remove ice or frost.

During this process, the melting of the ice may appear as steam coming off the heat pump. This is normal.

# Displays "FREEZE PROTECTION ACTIVE"

### **ISSUE**

The heat pump has sensed the air temperature has dropped below 37° F (3° C). This is the default setpoint before the heat pump begins to circulate water to groups marked as needing freeze protection. The heat pump will not heat water in these conditions. (See "Freeze Protection" on page 36 for more information.)

# NOTICE

Failure to heed the following may result in damage to equipment.

• Freeze protection is meant to be temporary. If freezing temperatures will continue for an extended time frame, the pool equipment *must* be winterized.

# NOTE

The freeze protection feature's "protect on setpoint" can be manually changed from  $(33^{\circ} \text{ to } 39^{\circ} \text{ F } (.6^{\circ} \text{ to } 4^{\circ} \text{ C})$ . The default is  $37^{\circ} \text{ F } (3^{\circ} \text{ C})$ 

# **PLEASE NOTE:**

This protection is only available for heat pumps that directly control a circulation pump.

# **Displays "NO SYSTEM FIRMWARE"**

### **ISSUE**

The heat pump has encountered a software error.

### RESOLUTION

- 1. If heat pump is using a PoolSync®, confirm the device is connecting to the internet. It will automatically attempt to load firmware on the heat pump. See PoolSync® manual for specifics.
- 2. Call for service.

# **Displays "NO POOL/SPA WATER FLOW"**

#### **ISSUE**

Low or no water detected. This is normal when the circulation pump is deactivated.

### RESOLUTION

- 1. Confirm the filter pump is on.
- 2. If a multiple-speed filter pump is being used, run at a higher speed to determine if the error persists. Do not exceed the maximum flow rate for your model.
- 3. Confirm water is not being diverted away from the heat pump.
  - See "Water Flow Rates" on page 42.
  - See "Adjusting Water Flow Using △T (Delta-T)" on page 23.

# Displays "NO POOL/SPA GROUP EXISTS "

### **ISSUE**

When pushing the POOL / SPA button, the heat pump displays the message "NO POOL/SPA GROUP EXISTS".

### RESOLUTION

In order for this button to be active, a Pool Group, Spa Group, or both, must be created; either using a preset option or manually.

### **NOTE**

The standard (from the factory) heat pump <u>does not have</u> a group or schedule. These can be created as needed depending on if a heat pump option has been utilized. See <u>Product Manual Options</u> for more information on available options.

# **Displays "SET TO SWITCH REMOTELY"**

### **ISSUE**

If when pressing the "Pool / Spa" button the display flashes the message "**SET TO SWITCH REMOTELY**", the heat pump is using a remote relay switch or a 3-wire controller.

- The Pool and Spa thermostat automatically switch when using these modes.
- Operation manually will not be available when using these external devices. No action is required.

# Displays "UNIT MODEL NUMBER"

### **ISSUE**

The heat pump has encountered a software error.

### RESOLUTION

- The model number and serial number will need to be re-entered into the system. The system will then operate as normal.
- If the issue reoccurs, please contact the distributor or installing dealer.

# (Heat Pump Not Running

### **ISSUE**

The heat pump will not run.

### RESOLUTION

- 1. Confirm equipment is receiving power. Is the heat pump display illuminated?
  - If not, confirm the main breaker (located at the power supply panel) and the disconnect switch (located near the heat pump) are both turned on.
  - If the display still does not illuminate, it is recommended that the heat pump installer or electrician confirm the heat pump is receiving power.
- 2. Confirm correct mode is selected.
  - See "Activate HEAT Mode, COOL Mode, AUTO Mode, or Deactivate Equipment" on page 7.
- 3. Confirm thermostat is set correctly.
  - When heating the water is desired, the thermostat should be set above the current water temperature.
  - When cooling the water is desired, the thermostat should be set below the current water temperature.
  - See "Set a desired temperature (setpoint) for the Heat Pump to activate" on page 10.
- 4. If an error code is displayed, diagnose and correct the cause of the code.
  - See "Fault Codes" on page 46.
- 5. If the heat pump is using an external controller, the heat pump may not be set correctly to accept the controller's signal.

# (Heat Pump's Tripping Breaker

### **ISSUE**

The heat pump breaker(s) keeps tripping.

- 1. If AquaCal heat pumps have been connected using a multiple heat pump configuration, the configuration may be incorrect. Please confirm settings or contact installer of equipment.
- 2. Have an electrician confirm breakers are correct type, in good condition, and properly sized for the heat pump.

# Heat Pump Won't Shut Off

### **ISSUE**

The heat pump will not deactivate.

### RESOLUTION

### PLEASE NOTE

When the heat pump is set to off, the display will show the current water temperature or no water flow indicator.

- 1. Confirm the correct mode has been set on the heat pump.
  - See "Activate HEAT Mode, COOL Mode, AUTO Mode, or Deactivate Equipment" on page 7.
- 2. Confirm the heat pump has reached the desired temperature set on the thermostat. The heat pump will continue to run until the set temperature is reached.
  - See "Set a desired temperature (setpoint) for the Heat Pump to activate" on page 10.
- 3. If the heat pump is using an external controller, it may not be set correctly. See the external controller's manual.

# **Heat Pump Is Running, Not Heating**

#### **ISSUE**

The heat pump is running. But the water is not heating.

- 1. If the heat pump is using an external controller, confirm it is set correctly.
  - See "Operating Heat Pump (With an External Controller)"
  - If the heat pump is still not running correctly with this device, contact the installer of the device or the device's manufacturer for further assistance.
- 2. Confirm heat pump mode is set to heat.
- 3. Confirm thermostat is set higher than the current water temperature.
- 4. Confirm valves are positioned to heat the correct body of water (either the pool or the spa). If heating a spa that overflows into a pool, confirm the spa is isolated when being heated (not flowing into the pool).
- 5. Confirm heat pump is transferring heat into the water.
  - Measure the temperature of air discharge coming out of the heat pump fan. If discharge air is between 8° to 16° F (-13° to -9° C) colder than the outside ambient air, the heat pump is moving heat into the water.
- 6. If an error code is displayed, diagnose and correct cause of code.
  - See "Fault Codes" on page 46.
- 7. Confirm that the filter pump has a sufficient run-time. The heat pump will not run (or heat the water) without water flow.
  - See "Initial Heating Recommendations" on page 38.
- 8. If heating a spa, deactivate air blower or venturi (if equipped) to allow for quicker heating times. For pools, deactivate water features, such as slides, waterfalls, or fountains to allow water to retain heat. Use of a liquid pool blanket product, such as an Aqua Blanket™, can also compensate for excessive heat loss.
  - See "Liquid Blankets" on page 31.

# (Heat Pump Is Running, Not Cooling

# **ISSUE**

The heat pump is running. But the water is not cooling.

- 1. If the heat pump is using an external controller, confirm the heat pump is programmed properly to allow for cooling.
  - See "Operating Heat Pump (With an External Controller)"
- 2. Confirm the heat pump mode is set to cool.
- 3. Confirm the thermostat is set below the current water temperature.
- 4. Confirm valves are positioned to cool the correct body of water (either the pool or the spa). If cooling a spa that overflows into a pool, confirm the spa is isolated when being cooled (not flowing into the pool).
- 5. If an error code is displayed, determine and correct the condition causing the code.
  - See "Fault Codes" on page 46.
- 6. Confirm heat pump is transferring heat out of the water.
  - Measure the temperature of air discharge coming out of the heat pump's fan. If the air is between 8° to 16° F (-13° to -9° C) warmer than the outside ambient air, the heat pump is moving heat out of the water.
- 7. Confirm that the filter pump has a sufficient run-time. The heat pump will not run (or cool the water) without water flow.
  - See "Initial Cooling Recommendations" on page 38.

# **Ice Forming on the Heat Pump**

### **ISSUE**

When conditions are too cold for proper operation, the heat pump will enter a defrost mode. This prevents ice from building up on the evaporator coil.

### RESOLUTION

# **Heat Only Units:**

- The heat pump may develop a fine layer of white frost on the outside coil before entering the defrost mode. This is normal.
  - See "Displays Defrosting" on page 53.
- If heavy ice (not frost) starts to build up, shut off the heat pump. Contact the installer or manufacturer.
- If the ambient air temperature will be falling below 32° F (0° C) for more than 8 hours, winterize equipment.

### **Cool Only Units**

- The heat pump may enter defrost mode if the water flow rate falls below the acceptable range. See "*Water Flow Rates*" on page 42.
- If the ambient air temperature will be falling below 32° F (0° C) for more than 8 hours, winterize equipment.

# **Heat and Cool Units (with Active Defrost or "Icebreaker"):**

- During freezing conditions, pool or spa heating will continue. Frost or ice may develop during the "countdown" to the active defrost (up to 50 minutes). This is normal. See "*Displays Defrosting*" on page 53.
- The heat pump will enter an "active defrost" stage to remove the accumulated frost and ice.
  - Be sure to observe the unit for at least 50 minutes. If it has not entered an active defrost cycle, call for service.

### TIP:

The heat pump can be manually defrosted by temporarily switching to the cooling mode until the ice or frost melts.

• If the ambient air temperature is (or will be) falling below 32° F (0° C) for more than 8 hours, winterize equipment.

# "Pool / Spa" Button Isn't Working

### **ISSUE**

The "Pool / Spa" button is disabled if the following devices have been configured on the heat pump. Check with installer if unsure of devices enabled on heat pump.

- A 2-wire external controller.
- A 3-wire external controller.
- A "SMART" external controller.
- An external flow switch.

### RESOLUTION

If not used to operate the heat pump, deactivate the external control device.

# Schedule Not Working

# **ISSUE**

A device isn't operating as scheduled.

### RESOLUTION

- Confirm the device is part of the scheduled group.
- Confirm the group has an appropriate schedule program. See options manuals for help on creating schedules.
- Confirm the schedule mode is set to "AUTO" and the scheduled program mode is set to "ON". See "Schedule and Program Modes" on page 16.
- Confirm the time is set correctly in the system. See equipment manual for information on changing date and time on heat pump.

### NOTE

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# Water Coming From Heat Pump

# **ISSUE**

The water may be normal condensation produced as a by-product of the heat pump's refrigeration process.

The heat pump can produce up to 8 to 10 gallons (30 to 38 liters) of condensation per hour depending on the humidity of the ambient air. Determine if the water is condensation or a possible leak.

### RESOLUTION

- 1. Deactivate heat pump, leaving the filter pump on. After several hours, determine if the water is still coming from the heat pump.
- 2. If using chlorine or bromine as a pool/spa sanitizer, test the water around the heat pump using a test strip. If the test strip indicates that chlorine or bromine is present, a leak may exist.

# PLEASE NOTE -

If desired, a kit is available to re-direct condensation water away from the heat pump.