Swimming Pool and Spa Purification System

Pool Pilot™

Digital

by AUTOPILOT SYSTEMS INC.

DIG-220

Owners Manual

Installation and Operation
(For Indoor or Outdoor Use)

Pool Owner, save this manual for reference.
Installer, leave this manual with the Pool Owner.

IMPORTANT
Read This Manual Before Installing & Operating

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Section 1a – GENERAL PRODUCT INFORMATION

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Record The Following Information

| Installer: _________________________ | Date of Installation: __________________________ |
| Control Unit Model Number: DG-220 | Control Unit Serial Number: # __________________________ |
| Cell Model Number: SC- | Cell Serial Number: # __________________________ |

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IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS
READ AND FOLLOW ALL INSTRUCTIONS

INSTALLATION AND EQUIPMENT RELATED

Installation of all Pool Pilot™ Digital models:

When installing and using your Pool Pilot™ Digital Control Box, basic safety precautions must always be followed, including the following:

1. **DANGER – Risk of electrical shock.** To avoid serious injury or death,
   - Ensure that the electrical panel or filter pump circuit is turned OFF prior to installation or servicing inside any Autopilot unit.
   - Mount your control box to ensure the least amount of direct exposure to rain, garden sprinkler water, direct sunlight or any corrosive environment.
   - Install Control Box at least 10’ (3 m) for 115VAC Units, from the inside wall of the pool or spa using non-metallic plumbing. 5’ (1.5 m) minimum distance for 230VAC Units.

2. **DANGER – To avoid serious injury or death,** do not permit children to use this product unless they are closely supervised at all times. Children should not use spas, hot tubs or pools without permanent adult supervision.

3. **WARNING – To avoid personal injury,** maintain water chemistry in accordance with manufacturer’s instructions.

4. All field-installed metal components such as rails, ladders, drains or similar hardware within 10’ (3 m) of the spa or hot tub shall be bonded to the equipment grounding bus with copper conductors not smaller than No. 8 AWG (8.4 mm²).

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**Equipment Related**

115/230VAC, 50/60 Hz Models (fixed wiring)

1. A wire connector is provided on your Pool Pilot™ Digital to connect a minimum No. 8 AWG (8.4 mm²) solid copper bonding conductor between this unit and any metal equipment, metal enclosures of electrical equipment, metal water pipe or conduit within 5’ (1.5 m) of the unit.

2. A bonding terminal is located inside your Pool Pilot™ Digital. To reduce the risk of electrical shock, this terminal must be connected to the grounding means provided in the electrical supply panel with a continuous copper wire equivalent size to the circuit conductors supplying your Pool Pilot™ Digital.

3. A disconnection device from the power source, with a contact separation of at least 0.12” (3mm) in all poles, must be incorporated in the fixed wiring for permanently wired units.


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Section 2a – INSTALLATION

Main Components

**Control Box**

converts incoming AC power to a Low Voltage DC current, which energizes the Cell(s).

**Patented Automatic Flow Bypass Manifold Assembly**

**ELECTROLYTIC SUPERCELL**

receives Low Voltage DC current from the Power Circuit Board, which initiates the electrolytic process.

**TRI-SENSOR ASSEMBLY**

ensures that adequate Flow, Salt Level, and Water Temperatures are satisfactory to prevent abusive conditions for the cell to operate.

**SPECIFICATION RATINGS:**

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<th>Input Power:</th>
<th>Maximum daily</th>
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<td>115 VAC (3.0 AC amps)</td>
<td>1.92 lbs/day (0.88 kg/day)</td>
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<tr>
<td>230 VAC (1.5 AC amps)</td>
<td>1.56 lbs/day (0.71 kg/day)</td>
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<td>50/60 Hz</td>
<td>1.28 lbs/day (0.58 kg/day)</td>
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**Output Power:**

- Cell Power 1 (5.0* DC amps)
- Cell Power 2 (6.5* DC amps)
- Cell Power 3 (8.0* DC amps)

*Indicates nominal amperage output. The dual axis controller will slightly vary the amps to optimize the power to the cell.

12’ (3.6 m) of Cell and Tri-Sensor cords are provided with the unit. Ensure that the manifold is located within that distance from the control box with enough slack to allow for removal for service or maintenance.

The Digital display provides full information and diagnostics for maintenance and operation of your system. The programmable settings are retained on a microprocessor chip with the clock setting backed-up with a CR-2025 lithium battery.

⚠️ **CAUTION:** To avoid over-saturation conditions of your spa, it is suggested to locate the cell downstream of all other equipment and on the pool return line only. For applications other than as recommended, contact the factory.

**CONTROL BOX INSTALLATION**

Place Template on mounting location. Level, mark holes and drill. Use the (4) provided plastic anchors and insert into drilled holes. Attach the (4) provided screws, leaving a ½” gap. Loosen four fastening screws and lift off cover. Disconnect wire harness. Mount the Control Box and tighten the (4) mounting screws.
Control Box Connections

Electrical Connections (Follow all state/local codes for electrical installations)
Autopilot recommends that a licensed electrician or certified electrical contractor perform the electrical connections.

**DANGER:** ensure that the electrical panel or filter pump circuit breaker is turned OFF before wiring this unit.

Units are pre-wired from the factory for 230VAC. 6’ (1.8m) of AC lead wires are provided for connection with External Timer control. You must provide the appropriate gauge wire for One-Speed Pump and Two-Speed Pump connections.

**Converting from 230 VAC to 115VAC:** Remove the cover (see page 12) to access the circuit board. Rewire and attach the included *jumper as shown below on the circuit board marked “TRANSFORMER PRIMARY”.

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**Connecting Pool Pilot to One-Speed Pump**

**LINE-IN:** Discard Factory ground (Green) wire. Cut Factory AC wires to 5”, strip and expose ½” of wire and connect from Terminal #1 to #3, and terminal #2 to #4. Supply new LINE-IN wires from Circuit breaker to Terminals #3 and #4. Ensure proper gauge wire is used to power the pump.

**LINE-OUT:** Pump is connected to Terminals #5, #6 and Ground lug.

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**Connecting Pool Pilot to Two-Speed Pump**

Follow instructions for One-Speed Pump LINE-IN configuration.

Note: The pump is always powered. A safety shut off (wall switch) between the circuit breaker and control box is recommended when the circuit breaker cannot be accessed quickly.

**LINE-OUT:**

1) Remove Factory #4 wire from Relay and Factory #6 wire from Terminal Strip. Cut wire in half, strip back jacket and expose ½” of wire, then jump to #6 Terminal strip.

2) Move #6 wire from Relay bottom row to the right top terminal and connect to the Low Speed of pump.

3) High Speed = Terminal #5, Common = Terminal #6.
Section 2b – INSTALLATION

Cell and Manifold Installation

Your Pool Pilot System is adaptable for use with either the SC-36, SC-48 or SC-60 residential cell. All models come pre-assembled with a Patented Automatic Flow Bypass Manifold Assembly. The manifold must be located as the last component in the POOL RETURN LINE only. For pool/spa combinations or special plumbing configurations, please contact the factory for assistance in locating the manifold.

Cell and Tri-Sensor Cord Connections

**Cell Cord Connection:** (2) banana connectors plug into the (2) banana jacks on the bottom of the Power Supply.

**ORP Connection:** when an ORP controller is used, the purifier output will be automatically controlled. Adjust the output level to 0% and connect the ORP controller to the 2-pin connector on the Control Box Base Plate. Although the output will displaying 0% output, the Pool Pilot will generate purifier as determined by the ORP controller.

**WARNING:** TO AVOID DAMAGE TO THE CONTROL BOX AND VOIDING THE WARRANTY, DO NOT ENERGIZE THE ORP INPUTS! THE ORP CONNECTIONS ARE DRY CONTACT INPUTS.

**Standard Manifold Assembly (all models):**

**WARNING:** Do not mount the manifold upside down.

Maximum flow rate 100 gpm (22.6 m³/hr). We recommend using a 3 lb spring bypass check valve for flow rates greater than 100 gpm (22.6 m³/hr) and plumbing it parallel to the manifold.

*One set of 68mm x 2” metric adapters (#19059) included with European Systems.

For other plumbing configurations, please contact the factory for assistance.

Verification of Flow Switch Protection:

It is important to verify the safe and proper operation of the Tri-sensor’s Flow Switch protection device. We recommend the following procedure:

Using either a GOLF BALL or small plastic wrap (saran wrap, food wrap or zip lock bag), block off flow to the upper portion of the manifold. Place the golf ball in the strainer screen union or wrap the strainer screen with the plastic wrap and place it back in the union and tighten. Operating the system with this blockage should detect a LOW FLOW condition, indicated on the digital display and activate the CHECK SYSTEM light. Once verified, remove the plastic wrap or golf ball, replace the strainer screen and resume operation.

If you do not get this result, turn the output dial to OFF and contact the factory.
Section 3a – OPERATION

Key Features

The Pool Pilot™ Digital display will show the PURIFYING OUTPUT LEVEL (in percent %), or whether the system is in BOOST or SUPER-BOOST Mode on the first line of the two line alphanumeric display. The second line will display the current TIME in either 12 or 24-hr mode, the TEMPERATURE in either Fahrenheit or Celsius, whether the cell is powered or not, shown as ON or OFF and Polarity Direction, shown as a “+” or blank. Easy touch pads allow for adjusting and programming the unit. A Check System visual alarm indicator works in conjunction with the display to advise of any problems.

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The PURIFYING OUTPUT LEVEL is adjustable from 0% (OFF) to 100% (MAX) by pressing the Up/Down Arrows to obtain the desired Purifying Output Level and corresponds to the amount of time the cell is energized during a 15-minute cycle. Little adjustment is needed once the initial setting is established. See page 10 for further details.

Note: The Pool Pilot™ Digital does not test for purifier levels nor automatically adjust to maintain a desired purifier level. This is done by periodically testing the water and adjusting the output levels up or down, as needed.

The Pool Pilot™ Digital is designed with an AUTOMATIC TEMPERATURE COMPENSATION feature, which automatically adjusts the output level setting based upon changes in seasonal water temperatures, between 50°F to 90°F (10°C to 32.2°C). This unique feature conveniently compensates for warm (more purifier needed) or cold (less purifier needed) water conditions. The Purifier % display will change automatically when temperature compensated and is considered normal.

The BOOST Button increases the purifier output level from the normal daily setting to 100% for up to 72 hours, and then returns to the normal setting. The purifying agent is continually produced throughout the normal On/Off cycles of the pump and throughout all power line disturbances until the end of the boost cycle or is manually deactivated. When Boost is activated with External Timer setting programmed, the time remaining for the boost cycle is held in memory and will start up in Boost mode until expired. With One-Speed Pump or Two-Speed Pump setting programmed, the time clock will be over ridden, producing purifier until the end of the boost cycle. The display will indicate the BOOST Mode on the second line when the boost Button is pressed once. Once activated, the system will produce the purifying agent for 24 hours. The purifying agent can be produced for 72 hours by pressing and holding down the Boost Button for 5-seconds from the Boost-Off position. This is called the SUPERBOOST Mode. The display will indicate that the system has successfully entered the Super Boost mode. To discontinue operation of Boost mode or Super Boost mode, pressed the Boost Button once more.

The Menu and Select Buttons allows you to view the TEST mode, Program the Functions and Time Clocks. See the following pages for description of the menu tree.

* The PUMP Button allows you to over ride the pump timer to temporarily turn the pump on or off (depending on its status of operation), or to manually turn the pump off, indicated by the display “OFF FOR MAINTENANCE”. In “OFF FOR MAINTENANCE” mode, the pump is prevented from restarting by the time clock and is only reactivated only by manually programming it to turn the pump back on. Not applicable with “EXTERNAL TIMER” selection.

The CHECK SYSTEM light will flash if there is a problem with the system. The nature of the problem will be indicated by the display through various error messages. See the Troubleshooting section, page 14, for repair solution.

FREEZE PROTECTION: this protective feature allows the pump, when programmed for One-Speed Pump, to override the program cycle and run continually (30-minute minimum) when the water temperature falls below 40°F (4.4°C). This prevents any damage to the PVC due to water expanding as it freezes.
Key Features – continued

Press the UP/DOWN ARROW to scroll through the Main menu and Sub-menu:

The MENU Button allows you to enter the programming

Press the SELECT button to choose the menu display.

Main Menu

1.0 Test Pool Pilot for system diagnostics
2.0 Owner Options for pool owner to change display preferences, time of day and time clock on/off periods
3.0 Maintenance Menu for maintenance diagnostics, service procedures, and calibration
4.0 Installer Menu for installer and initial programming inputs
5.0 Exit Menu Mode returns to normal operation

SUB-MENUS

1.0 TEST POOL PILOT

The display will automatically cycle through this program, then return to normal operation. The display shows as follows:

1.1 Salt in parts per million (PPM) or grams per liter (g/l)
1.2 Add Salt indicates the amount of salt needed to add to establish 3000 ppm (3.0 g/l) based upon pool volume
1.3 Temperature in Fahrenheit or Celsius
1.4 Cell Volts and Amps

2.0 OWNER OPTIONS

Use UP/DOWN ARROW to scroll through sub-menu and SELECT to choose function:

2.1 English/Metric: displays volume in gallons or cubic meters; salt additions in lbs or kg; Back – Main Menu (2.0)
2.2 Temperature Units: displays the water temperature in Fahrenheit or Celsius; Back - Main Menu (2.0)
2.3 12/24-hour Time: displays the current time in 12-hour Time or 24-hour Time units; Back – Main Menu (2.0)
2.4 Set Time of Day: sets the time as follows: Set Hours; Set Minutes
   2.5 *Pump Program 1: allows you to program the pump on/off cycle through the on-board program
   2.6 *Pump Program 2: allows you to program a secondary pump on/off cycle through the on-board program
* Only applicable with Pump Config. (4.6) selection of One-Speed Pump or Two-Speed Pump
* Pump Program 1 or 2 will show the previous time set. Otherwise, Not Programmed will display, then automatically step to display ▲ -Prog. ▼ -Delete SELECT-No Change
Selecting ▲ -Prog steps to Pump ON at Set Hours “12”:00 P; Pump ON at Set Mins 12:“00” P then Pump OFF at Set Hours “12”:00 P; Pump OFF at Set Mins 12:“00” P
2.7 Back – Main Menu (returns to MAIN MENU)
Section 3a – OPERATION

Key Features – continued

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Purifier 100%
12:00P 80F ON •

Check System

Boost Menu Select Pump

3.0 MAINTENANCE MENU

Use UP/DOWN ARROW to scroll through sub-menu and SELECT to choose function:

3.1 Test: same as 1.0 above plus cell Amp-hrs – then returns to Main Menu (3.0)

3.2-3.4 Set Time of Day: same as 2.4 above

3.5 Force Reverse: allows you to check cell volts and amps in the opposite direction (verifies reversing feature)

3.6 Set Reverse Time: allows adjustable self-cleaning reverse rate of 2, 4, 8 or 16 hrs; Back – Main Menu (3.0)

   Cell reversal is set on 4-hrs from the factory for ideal cell life. For conditions such as high calcium levels that can cause the cell to scale quicker than the self-cleaning cycle can control, change the setting to “2” hours.

   For pools with optimum water chemistry balance according to the Saturation Index, see page 10, changing the REVERSING cycle to “8” or “16” hours will extend the life of the cell.

   If the Reverse Time is set to the “16” hours setting, check the cell weekly for the first month to ensure no scale develops. If there is scale development, change the setting to “8” hours.

   Note: changing the Reversing Time to “2” hours will affect the cell life. However, operating with scale development on the cell is more damaging to the life of the cell and changing the reversing time is suggested

3.7 Calibrate Salt: allow you to calibrate the salt display. Contact the factory for calibration solution

3.8 Replace Cell: zeros the amp-hour counter. Only used when replacing cells. Hold Select for 10 seconds to reset

3.9 Back – Main Menu (returns to MAIN MENU)

4.0 INSTALLER MENU

(Hold Select for 10 seconds to enter this mode)

Use UP/DOWN ARROW to scroll through sub-menu and SELECT to choose function:

4.1 English/Metric: displays volume in gallons or cubic meters; salt additions as lbs or kg; Back – Main Menu (4.0)

4.2 Temperature Units: displays the water temperature in Fahrenheit or Celsius; Back - Main Menu (4.0)

4.3 12/24-hour Time: displays the current time in 12-hour Time or 24-hour Time units; Back – Main Menu (4.0)

4.4 Set Pool Volume: displays the volume of the pool in either Gallons or Cub Meters

4.5 Set Cell Power: allows you to set the Power Level = 1, 2 or 3; Back – Main Menu (4.0)

4.6 Set Pump Config: allows you to select from External Timer, One-Speed Pump or Two-Speed Pump configuration

4.7-4.9 Set Time of Day: same as 2.4 – 2.6 above

4.10 Back – Main Menu (returns to MAIN MENU)

Error Messages (see Troubleshooting section, page 15, for more details):

If the message “Purifier Off” is shown, the system halts purifier production. This is shown when the flow is insufficient.

If the message “Warning!” is shown, the system will continue to produce purifier but at a reduced efficiency. This is associated with a correction message and flashing Check System light.
Pool Water Preparation

Salt Requirements
It is important that with typical pools, a salt residual of 2500 to 3500 ppm (2.5 – 3.5 gm/l) be maintained at all times for peak efficiency. The Pool Pilot™ Digital can also handle special application salt levels of up to 35,000 ppm (35.0 gm/l) without any adverse effects to the unit.

Note: HIGH Salt level does not affect purifier production but can cause corrosion problems with metallic fixtures, light rings, ladders and handrails.

The amount of salt required depends on the size of the pool and the present salt level. As the salt is being added, we recommend running the circulation pump continually for 24 hours with the bottom main drain opened. Brushing the salt into the bottom main drain will assist in the dissolve rate and prevent possible staining with certain types of salt.

We recommend the use of AutoSoft Plus™ Water Conditioning Salt. AutoSoft Plus™ salt contains 99.8% pure Sodium Chloride (NaCl) without Iodine or the Anti-Caking additive, Yellow Prussiate of Soda (YPS). Iodine and YPS can cause a localized tint to the water or yellow staining on the cementitious finish if allowed to rest undissolved on the finish for extended periods of time. AutoSoft Plus™ is blended with the proper amount of stabilizer to maintain a proper level within the recommended range when added according to the salt chart on the box.

Granular Salt, Table Salt, Solar Salt or Water Conditioner Pellets can also be used but will have different dissolve rates. If the salt you use contains Iodine or YPS, constant brushing will help the dissolve rate and prevent staining due to the additives in the salt. Ensure that the salt you use contain a minimum purity of 99% Sodium Chloride (NaCl).

Note: Do not use Rock Salt due to its high levels of impurities.

Use the digital display to test your water for salt level first, which then shows the amount of salt needed to achieve/maintain 3000-ppm. Salt readings below 100 ppm will show extremely high and requires the chart below to determine correct amount of salt needed.

**Salt Requirement Chart**

<table>
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<tr>
<th>SALT Level Before Addition</th>
<th>1,000 (3.77)</th>
<th>2,500 (9.43)</th>
<th>5,000 (18.9)</th>
<th>7,000 (26.3)</th>
<th>10,000 (37.7)</th>
<th>15,000 (56.6)</th>
<th>20,000 (75.4)</th>
<th>30,000 (123.2)</th>
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<tr>
<td>0 ppm</td>
<td>25 (11.3)</td>
<td>63 (28)</td>
<td>126 (57)</td>
<td>175 (79)</td>
<td>252 (113)</td>
<td>378 (170)</td>
<td>504 (227)</td>
<td>756 (340)</td>
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<tr>
<td>500 ppm</td>
<td>21 (9.5)</td>
<td>53 (24)</td>
<td>106 (48)</td>
<td>147 (66)</td>
<td>212 (95)</td>
<td>318 (175)</td>
<td>424 (191)</td>
<td>636 (286)</td>
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<tr>
<td>750 ppm</td>
<td>19 (8.6)</td>
<td>48 (22)</td>
<td>96 (43)</td>
<td>133 (60)</td>
<td>192 (86)</td>
<td>288 (130)</td>
<td>384 (173)</td>
<td>576 (259)</td>
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<tr>
<td>1000 ppm</td>
<td>17 (7.7)</td>
<td>43 (19)</td>
<td>86 (39)</td>
<td>119 (54)</td>
<td>172 (77)</td>
<td>258 (116)</td>
<td>344 (155)</td>
<td>516 (232)</td>
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<tr>
<td>1500 ppm</td>
<td>13 (5.9)</td>
<td>33 (15)</td>
<td>66 (30)</td>
<td>91 (41)</td>
<td>132 (59)</td>
<td>198 (89)</td>
<td>264 (119)</td>
<td>396 (178)</td>
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<tr>
<td>2000 ppm</td>
<td>8 (3.6)</td>
<td>21 (9.5)</td>
<td>42 (19)</td>
<td>56 (25)</td>
<td>84 (38)</td>
<td>126 (57)</td>
<td>168 (76)</td>
<td>252 (113)</td>
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<td>2250 ppm</td>
<td>6 (2.7)</td>
<td>15 (7)</td>
<td>30 (14)</td>
<td>42 (19)</td>
<td>60 (28)</td>
<td>90 (41)</td>
<td>120 (54)</td>
<td>180 (81)</td>
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Note: The above chart is based on 1 lb. (2.2 kg) of salt added to 1,000 gallons (3.8 m³) to increase your salt residual 120-ppm.

Start Up Procedures

1. Balance your water chemistry according to the Water Chemistry Parameters shown above. Add the proper amount of salt (see Salt Requirement Chart) and circulate prior to starting your Pool Pilot™ Digital.

2. Set Purifier % setting to 50% and operate normally. For the first two weeks, test the water every 2-3 days for proper Purifier levels. Raise or Lower the Purifier % Setting as needed, according to your test results.

3. If Purifier % setting is 80% or higher, INCREASE the CELL POWER one level and reduce Purifier to 50% and readjust. If Purifier % setting is 20% or lower, DECREASE the CELL POWER one level and reduce Purifier to 50% and readjust.

4. Once your Purifier % Setting has been established, you will only need to adjust your level according to increased bather usage or heavy rainfalls that can quickly consume chlorine levels, or operate the Boost Cycle.
### Section 3c – OPERATION

**Monitoring and Maintenance**

**Water Chemistry Parameters** - VERY IMPORTANT NOTE! Your Pool Pilot™ Digital is designed to provide Purifier on a daily basis. We recommend the following water chemistry ranges and periodic checks to monitor your systems efficiency. Always follow all local and state requirements.

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<th>Biweekly Checks:</th>
<th>Monthly Checks:</th>
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<tr>
<td>Free Chlorine: 1.0 – 3.0 PPM</td>
<td>Calcium Hardness: 200 – 400 PPM</td>
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<tr>
<td>Or Bromine: 2.0 – 4.0 PPM</td>
<td>Salt Residual: 2500 – 3500 PPM</td>
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<tr>
<td>pH: 7.2 – 7.8</td>
<td>Total Alkalinity: 80 – 150 PPM</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Saturation Index: ± 0.3 pH of saturation</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Cyanuric Acid: 60 – 80 PPM</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Visual Cell Inspection for wear, scale or debris</td>
</tr>
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</table>

**CHLORINE/BROMINE REQUIREMENTS:** During Peak Purifier Demand (rainy season or heavy bather usage) it may be necessary to increase your purifier level by increasing your Output Level setting and/or pump run time. Conversely, during Low Purifier Demand, you can decrease your Output Level to a lower setting. For extremely Heavy Purifier Demand or to boost your purifier levels quickly, you can Boost the system or supplement with a Potassium Monopersulfate based shock.

**NOTE:** **During cold-water conditions, below 60°F,** **Purifier demand is reduced significantly.** For colder climate regions with sustained low or freezing temperatures, contact your local pool professional for proper pool winterizing instructions.

**CAUTION:** Excessive chlorine levels can cause premature cell failure, corrosion damage to stainless steel rails, ladders, heater heat exchangers, light faceplates and other metallic equipment. Avoid over saturation of chlorine levels.

**pH:** When your pH falls below the accepted range, your Purifier is used up very quickly and can be damaging to your equipment. For pH levels higher than the accepted range, your Purifier becomes much less effective and will work harder to keep your pool purified. Improper pH also contributes to the strong smell, red eyes, dry itchy skin and brittle hair conditions usually associated with “too much Chlorine”.

**CALCIUM HARDNESS AND TOTAL ALKALINITY:** Your Pool Pilot™ Digital provides 100% pure sodium hypochlorite and does not affect the calcium hardness or total alkalinity levels. Maintain and balance only as needed.

**CYANURIC ACID (STABILIZER/CONDITIONER):** This chemical goes by either trade name and allows your chlorine residual to last longer by protecting it from the UV degradation of the sun. With low or no Cyanuric acid it is possible for the chlorine being produced, to be used up as quickly as it enters the pool. Check and maintain your cyanuric acid levels at the same time as your salt level, as these tend to deplete at the same rate.

**NOTE:** For Bromine or indoor pools, it is not necessary to add stabilizer.

**SALT RESIDUAL:** Your Pool Pilot™ Digital works most efficiently with salt levels between 2500-3500 ppm (2.5 – 3.5 gm/l). If it falls below 2500 ppm (2.5 gm/l), the Digital Display will show the proper amount of salt needed to maintain 3000 ppm (3.0 g/l). Low salt will cause premature deterioration of the Cell blades. For “SEAWATER” pools, your Pool Pilot™ Digital can handle up to 35,000 ppm (35,0 gm/l), however, salt levels above 6000 ppm (6.0 gm/l) can be corrosive to metallic fixtures.

**BROMINE RESIDUAL:** Along with the normal Salt level, add 2lb (0.9 kg) Sodium Bromide (NaBr) per 2000 gallons (7.5 m³) of water. Your Pool Pilot™ Digital will now generate Bromine to purify your pool. Maintain your bromine level by checking your salt level. Once your salt falls below the recommended range, we suggest you add 2lb (0.9 kg) sodium bromide with every 50 lbs (22.5 kg) of salt added. We recommend testing Bromine Purifier levels with an OTO test kit.

**SATURATION INDEX (Si):** a formula used to ensure that your total water chemistry does not fall into a scale forming or corrosive condition. Either condition can cause premature damage to the Cell, equipment and cementitious finish. Have your water professionally tested periodically according to the Saturation Index or use this chart to determine your water balance.

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Si = pH + TF + CF + AF – Constant
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<tr>
<th>Temperature</th>
<th>TF</th>
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Test your water for pH, Calcium Hardness, Total Alkalinity and TDS levels. Use the equivalent Factor in the Si equation.

Si = ±0.3, balanced  
Si above + 0.3, scaling, staining or cloudy water conditions.  
Si below -0.3, corrosive to metals, etches/deteriorates plaster finishes or skin irritating conditions.
CONTROL BOX

There are little serviceable parts on the Pool Pilot™ Digital Control Box except the fuses. For any other problems with the Control Box, please contact the Factory or Authorized Dealer/Service Center.

To remove the Control Box Cover and access the fuses, follow these steps.

⚠️ DANGER: TURN OFF THE POWER FROM THE CIRCUIT BREAKER BEFORE SERVICING THIS UNIT.

 Fuse Location and Ratings

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TRI-SENSOR ASSEMBLY

The Tri-sensor assembly tests for Flow, Salt and Water temperatures. A minimum flow rate of 15 gpm (3.4 m³/hr) is required to activate the flow switch. As the water flow closes the paddle, a magnet activates a micro switch to verify proper flow. The Salt sensor protects against low salt levels and the temperature sensor protects against cold water temperatures. Both of which can contribute to accelerated cell failure.

► Note: The use of high strength magnet devices in the close proximity of the tri-sensor can cause the flow switch to read incorrectly.

Remove the Tri-Sensor as follows (with pump off):

Remove both screws from the sides of the Tee Assembly.
With the aid of large Channel-lok® (or similar) pliers, firmly grip the Tri-Sensor assembly and move back and forth while removing the Tri-Sensor from the tee.
Inspect the thin metallic paddle for erosion and straightness.
Take care not to twist or tweak this paddle, which can cause inaccurate flow readings.
Inspect the salt sensor blades for scale and debris and clean if necessary. See page 13 for cleaning instructions. Follow the directions for Manual Cell Cleaning.
Check the tri-sensor assembly for any damage to the plastic housing and replace if needed.
Cell

The Cell is installed with Unions on each end of the cell to allow quick and easy removal. Loosen the unions and remove the cell from the plumbing.

VISUAL CELL INSPECTION:
The titanium Cell blades, seen inside the Cell body, should be straight and clear of any debris between the blades. Your Pool Pilot™ Digital is designed to automatically self-clean calcium scale build-up within the Cell. However, imbalanced water chemistry and certain conditions can cause a heavier scale build up that exceeds the self-cleaning capability and would need to be cleaned manually by the method described below.

Periodically inspect both ends of the cell. A White Flaky or Crusty build-up on the edge or between the blades will prematurely deplete the life of the cell. Immediately clean the cell and determine the cause of scaling. See Troubleshooting Section, page 15.

MANUAL CELL CLEANING:
With the Cell removed as described above, use a high-pressure hose nozzle to spray off as much loose scale and debris as possible. Any remaining calcium scale can be treated with a mixture of one (1) part Muriatic Acid into four (4) parts water. Mix the solution in a container high enough to cover the Cell blades. Remove the Cell cord and immerse the Cell so that the blades are completely covered in the solution for up to 15 minutes. An effervescences action indicates the calcium is being neutralized and cleaned. Drain the cell, flush with fresh water and reinspect. Repeat the immersion if necessary.

We recommend using Lo-Chlor Salt Cell Protector Plus as a prevention additive to continually help soften and reduce build-up of calcium scale deposits in the cell. This product also reduces calcium scale on exposed aggregate finishes and new pool finishes and enhances chlorine production.

⚠️ WARNING: ALWAYS ADD ACID TO WATER, never water to acid.
NEVER USE ANY SHARP OR METALLIC OBJECTS TO REMOVE SCALE. Scraping or scratching the titanium blade's edge or surface will allow chemical attack of the blade, cause premature failure of the Cell and will void your warranty.

FILTER BACKWASHING:
We recommend turning the Control Panel Output setting to 0% (OFF) when backwashing a Sand or DE filter.
Section 4c – SERVICE and MAINTENANCE

Parts Explosion

**Manifold Assembly:**
(#941)

- TRI-SENSOR
- CELL w/ UNIONS
- MANIFOLD UNION w/Strainer

**Manifold Union w/Strainer:**
(#19065)

- Union Nut
- Union O-Ring (#19014)
- Strainer (#19064)
- MANIFOLD BASE w/Check Valve

**Electrolytic Cell:**
(Cell Unions and Cord ordered separately)

- Red Cap Plug for SC-36 and SC-48 cell cord (#19050)
- 12’ (3.6m) Cell Cord (# 952-1)

- UNION COMPLETE (#19070)
  - Union O-Ring (#19013)
- Cell (#’s SC-36, SC-48, SC-60)

- 1.5” Half union (#312-C) (38 mm)
- 2” Slip Union (#312-B) (51 mm)
- Nut only for 2” Slip Union (#312-A) (51 mm)

**Tri-Sensor Assembly:**
(Cord Ordered Separately)

- Tri-Sensor Assembly (#909-GO1.5)
- Directional Flow Indicator
- Tri-Sensor O-Ring (#19028)
- Temperature Sensor Post
- Salt Sensor Blades
- View of locking
- Quick connect heads
- 12’ (3.6m) Tri-Sensor Cord (# 956-DIG)
- Direction of Water Flow
- Flow Paddle
## TROUBLESHOOTING

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<td>1) <strong>Insufficient Purifier Production.</strong>&lt;br&gt;A) The test kit reagents or test strips are old or expired.&lt;br&gt;B) The unit is set too low in relation to purifier demand.&lt;br&gt;C) The circulation run time is insufficient.&lt;br&gt;D) The bather load has increased.&lt;br&gt;E) The body of water being purified leaks.&lt;br&gt;F) Low Salt.&lt;br&gt;G) “Cell Type” selection not matched to the cell installed.&lt;br&gt;H) Purifier loss due to intense sunlight.</td>
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<td>A) Retest with new Reagents or Strips.&lt;br&gt;B) Increase the Purifier % output.&lt;br&gt;C) Increase your pump run time.&lt;br&gt;D) Same solution as (B) or add a Non-Chlorine Shock containing Potassium Monopersulfate to supplement.&lt;br&gt;E) Repair the leak and rebalance as needed.&lt;br&gt;F) Check the residual salt level and adjust as needed.&lt;br&gt;G) Follow the INSTALLER SETUP instructions, see page 9.&lt;br&gt;H) Check your stabilizer level and adjust if needed.</td>
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<td>2) <strong>Scale Build-up within the Cell.</strong>&lt;br&gt;A) The water being purified contains high pH, total alkalinity and calcium hardness levels.&lt;br&gt;(Cell scales within 2 – 3 weeks)&lt;br&gt;B) Power Supply not reversing polarity.&lt;br&gt;(Cell constantly scales within 3 – 5 days)</td>
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<td>A) Calculate Langelier’s Index to assure balanced water. Adjust chemicals and clean the Cell. See pages 13 &amp; 14.&lt;br&gt;B) Contact the factory for Warranty Status/Procedures.</td>
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<td>3) <strong>DC Plug and Cell Terminals Burned.</strong>&lt;br&gt;A) The Cell terminals are wet due to a leaking cell body.&lt;br&gt;B) The Cell plug is not securely pushed onto the cell terminals, allowing moisture to seep into the plug.</td>
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<td>A) Contact the factory for Warranty Status/Procedures.&lt;br&gt;B) Ensure the Cell cord plug is pressed completely onto the Cell terminal. Check the terminals and clean with a dry cloth to remove all dirt and corrosion.</td>
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<td>4) <strong>Premature Cell Failure (Requires Replacement Cell).</strong>&lt;br&gt;A) Abnormally high Cell usage due to an insufficient Stabilizer (Cyanuric acid) level.&lt;br&gt;B) Excessive Scale/Debris in the Cell.&lt;br&gt;C) “Cell Type” selection not matched to the Cell installed.</td>
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<td>A) Check the stabilizer level and adjust to recommended levels.&lt;br&gt;B) See Section 2 above.&lt;br&gt;C) Follow the INSTALLER SETUP instructions, see page 9.</td>
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<td>5) <strong>White Flakes in the Water.</strong>&lt;br&gt;A) This occurs when excessive calcium hardness is present. Usually due to water chemistry imbalance.</td>
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<td>A) Adjust your water chemistry, visually inspect Cell for scale build-up and clean the cell as described on pages 12 &amp; 14.</td>
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<td>6) <strong>No Power to the Control Box.</strong>&lt;br&gt;A) Internal Fuse blown.&lt;br&gt;B) Circuit Breaker tripped.</td>
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<td>A) Check and replace fuse. See page 12.&lt;br&gt;B) Check the power going to the Control Box. Reset the Circuit Breaker.</td>
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<td>7) <strong>SERVICE Light Flashing.</strong>&lt;br&gt;MESSEGED DISPLAYED “CHECK FLOW”&lt;br&gt;A) Tri-Sensor Defective.&lt;br&gt;B) Insufficient Flow (Min. 15 gpm) (3.4 m³/hr)</td>
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<td>A) Contact the factory for Warranty Status/Procedures.&lt;br&gt;B) Ensure your Filter and Cell are clean of debris. Check all valves that might divert flow away from the cell.</td>
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<td>MESSAGED DISPLAYED “LOW AMPS – CELL”&lt;br&gt;A) Extremely Low Cell Amperage.&lt;br&gt;B) Extremely Low Salt Level.&lt;br&gt;C) The Cell Cord is Loose</td>
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<td>A) Cell heavily scaled. If cell is already clean, replace cell.&lt;br&gt;B) Salt level below 1500 ppm (1.5 gm/l).&lt;br&gt;C) Ensure that the cord is firmly pressed into the cell and the wires properly connected into the banana plugs.&lt;br&gt;D) Contact the factory for Warranty Status/Procedures.</td>
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<td>D) Power Supply has failed. MESSAGED DISPLAYED “CHECK/CLEAN CELL” (Purifier still producing)&lt;br&gt;A) Cell Volts</td>
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<td>A) Check cell for calcium build-up or scale deposits. Water Temperature too cold (below 60°F (15.6°C))</td>
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<td>MESSAGED DISPLAYED “LOW SALT - ADD XXX lbs (or kg)”&lt;br&gt;A) Salt level Low (below 2500 ppm (2.5 gm/l)).</td>
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