

# **HOT SPOT® COLLECTION**

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Watkins Wellness<sup>®</sup> congratulates you on your decision to enjoy the finest spa available... Welcome to the growing family of HOT SPRING spa owners.

Before you begin reviewing the manual, please take a moment to register your warranty. Doing so will assist us in contacting you for any important product notification.

Prior to registering, you will need the serial number that is located within the equipment compartment of your **HOT SPRING** spa.

To register please go to http://www.hotspring.com/hot-tub-owners/hot-tub-product-warranty-registration or simply scan the QR code below:

### FOR YOUR RECORDS

Spa Model/Serial Number:	
Date Purchased:	
Dealer:	
Address:	
Cover Serial Number:	
Accessory Serial Number:	



If you have any questions about any aspect of your spa's set-up, operation or maintenance, contact your authorized **HOT SPRING** dealership. They are trained professionals who are familiar with the product as well as new spa ownership concerns. Their expertise will facilitate the enjoyment of your new **HOT SPRING** spa.

**IMPORTANT: WATKINS WELLNESS** reserves the right to change specifications, or design, without notification and without incurring any obligation.



In most cities and counties, permits will be required for the installation of electrical circuits or the construction of exterior surfaces (decks and gazebos). In addition, some communities have adopted residential barrier codes which may require fencing and/or self-closing gates on the property to prevent unsupervised access to a pool (or spa) by children under 5 years of age. Your **HOT SPRING** spa is equipped with a locking cover that meets the ASTM F1346-91 Standard for Safety Covers and as a result, is usually exempt from most barrier requirements. As a general practice, your local Building Department will inform you of any applicable barrier requirements at the time a permit is obtained for the installation of an electrical circuit. Your **HOT SPRING** dealer can provide information on which permits may be required.

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# SAFETY INFORMATION

# IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

# (READ AND FOLLOW ALL INSTRUCTIONS)

# AVOIDING THE RISK TO CHILDREN

## ⚠ DANGER - RISK OF CHILD DROWNING

Extreme caution must be exercised to prevent unauthorized access by children. To avoid accidents, ensure that children cannot use a spa unless they are supervised at all times.

# **↑** WARNING

To reduce the risk of injury, do not permit children to use this spa unless they are closely supervised at all times.

- To reduce the risk of injury, lower water temperatures are recommended for young children. Children are especially sensitive to hot water.
- Extreme caution must be exercised to prevent unauthorized access by children. To avoid accidents, ensure that children cannot use a spa unless they are supervised at all times.
- The device should not be used by persons (including children) with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities, or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they receive supervision or training.

#### DO:

- Make sure you always lock the child resistant locks after using the spa for your children's safety. Every HOT SPRING spa is equipped with a locking cover that meets the ASTM F1346-91 Standard for Safety Covers.
- Test the water temperature with your hand before allowing children to enter the spa to be sure that it's comfortable. Children are especially sensitive to hot water.
- Remind children that wet surfaces can be very slippery. Make sure that children are careful when entering or exiting the spa.

#### DON'T:

- · Allow children to climb onto the spa cover.
- Allow children to have unsupervised access to the spa.

# AVOIDING THE RISK OF ELECTROCUTION

# A DANGER - RISK OF ELECTROCUTION

- · Connect only to a grounded source.
- Do not bury the power cord. A buried power cord may result in death, or serious personal injury due to electrocution if direct burial-type cable is not used, or if improper digging occurs.
- A ground terminal (pressure wire connector) is provided on the control box inside the unit to permit connection of a minimum 6 mm² solid copper bonding conductor between this point and any metal

- equipment, metal water pipe, metal enclosures of electrical equipment, or conduit within 1.5 m (5 feet) of the unit as needed to comply with local requirements.
- Do not operate the audio main controls while inside the spa (if spa is equipped with an audio component).
- Do not operate the main audio/video button controls on any external media devices such as a CD or DVD player while inside in the spa.
   Operation of integrated audio/video equipment through the spa control panel or wireless remote is permitted and acceptable.
- Do not connect any auxiliary components (for example, cable additional speakers, headphones, additional audio components) to the audio system unless approved by WATKINS WELLNESS.
- Do not self service audio component by opening spa door as this may expose dangerous voltage or other risk of injury. Refer all servicing to qualified service personnel.
- Do not attach an external antennae to a spa audio system unless installed by a licensed electrician in accordance with Article 810 of the National Electric Code, ANSI/NFPA 70.

## **WARNING**

- To reduce the risk of electrical shock, replace a damaged cord immediately. Failure to do so may result in death or serious personal injury due to electrocution.
- In order to avoid a hazard due to inadvertent resetting of the thermal cut-out, this appliance must not be supplied through an external switching device, such as a timer, or connected to a circuit that is regularly switched on and off by the utility.
- Always test the residual current device (RCD) before each use of the spa. If the RCD does not perform properly, a ground current is flowing indication the possibility of electric shock. Disconnect power to the spa until the fault has been identified and corrected.

**NOTE:** Failure to wait 30 seconds before resetting the RCD may cause the spa's Power Indicator (on the control panel) to blink. If this occurs, repeat the RCD test procedure.

- Your spa must be supplied by a residual current device (RCD) with a tripping rating not exceeding 30 mA in an electrical subpanel.
- Install the spa so proper drainage is provided for the compartment containing the electrical components.

# M DANGER - RISK OF ELECTRICAL SHOCK

- Install at least 1.5 m (5 feet) from all metal surfaces. A spa may be
  installed within 1.5 m (5 feet) of a metal surface if each metal surface
  is permanently connected by a minimum 6mm² solid copper conductor
  attached to the wire ground connector on the terminal box that is
  provided.
- Do not permit any external non spa integrated electrical appliances, such as a light, telephone, radio, or television within 1.5 m (5 feet) of a spa. Failure to maintain a safe distance may result in death, or serious personal injury due to electrocution, if the appliance should fall into the spa.
- Do not permit any electrical appliances, such as a light, telephone, radio, or television within 1.5 m (5 feet) of a spa. Failure to maintain a safe distance may result in death, or serious personal injury due to electrocution, if the appliance should fall into the spa.

### DO:

- Be sure your spa is connected to the power supply correctly use a licensed electrical contractor.
- Disconnect the spa from the power supply before draining the spa or servicing the electrical components.

- Test the RCD before each use.
- Replace audio components only with identical components (if your spa is equipped with an audio component).

### DON'T:

- Use the spa with the equipment compartment door removed.
- Place electrical appliances within 1.5 m (5 feet) of the spa.
- Use an extension cord to connect the spa to its power source. The
  cord may not be properly grounded and the connection is a shock
  hazard. An extension cord may cause a voltage drop, which will cause
  overheating of the jet pump motor and motor damage.
- Attempt to open the electrical control box. There are no user serviceable parts inside.
- Leave audio compartment door open (if your spa is equipped with an audio compartment).

## RISKS TO AVOID

# ♠ DANGER - RISK OF INJURY

- To reduce the risk of injury to persons, DO NOT remove suction fittings (filter standpipe) located in the filter compartment.
- The suction fittings in the spa are sized to match the specific water flow created by the pump. Never replace a suction fitting with one rated less than the flow rate marked on the original suction fitting.
- There is a danger of slipping and falling. Remember that wet surfaces can be very slippery. Take care when entering or exiting the spa.
- · Never operate spa if the suction fittings are broken or missing.
- · People with infectious diseases should not use the spa.
- Keep any loose articles of clothing, long hair, or hanging jewelry away from rotating jets or other moving components.

### **INCREASED SIDE EFFECTS OF MEDICATION**

- The use of drugs, alcohol may cause unconsciousness with the possibility of drowning.
- Persons using medications should consult a physician before using a spa; some medication may cause a user to become drowsy, while other medication may affect heart rate, blood pressure, and circulation.
- Persons taking medications which induce drowsiness, such as tranquilizers, antihistamines, or anticoagulants should not use the spa.

### **HEALTH PROBLEMS AFFECTED BY SPA USE**

- · Pregnant women should consult a physician before using spa.
- Persons suffering from obesity, or with a medical history of heart disease, low or high blood pressure, circulatory system problems, or diabetes should consult a physician before using spa.

### **UNCLEAN WATER**

Keep the water clean and sanitized with correct chemical care. The recommended levels for your HOT SPRING spa are:

Free Available Chlorine:	Total Alkalinity:
3.0-5.0 ppm	40-120 ppm

Water pH:	Calcium Hardness:
7.2-7.8	50-150 ppm

Refer to Water Quality and Maintenance section for complete instructions.

**IMPORTANT:** Turn on the jet pump for at least ten minutes after adding ANY spa water chemicals into the filter compartment.

Clean the filter cartridges monthly to remove debris and mineral buildup which may affect the performance of the hydromassage jets, limit the flow, or trip the high limit thermostat, which will turn off the entire spa.

### AVOIDING THE RISK OF HYPERTHERMIA

Prolonged immersion in hot water can result in HYPERTHERMIA, a dangerous condition which occurs when the internal temperature of the body reaches a level above normal 37°C (98.6°F). The symptoms of hyperthermia include unawareness of impending hazard, failure to perceive heat, failure to recognize the need to exit the spa, physical inability to exit the spa, fetal damage in pregnant women, and unconsciousness resulting in a danger of drowning.

## **♠** WARNING

The use of alcohol, drugs, or medication can greatly increase the risk of fatal hyperthermia in hot tubs and spas.

## TO REDUCE THE RISK OF INJURY

- The water in the spa should never exceed 40°C (104°F). Water temperatures between 36°C and 40°C (100°F and 104°F) are considered safe for a healthy adult. Lower water temperatures are recommended for extended use (exceeding ten minutes) and for young children. Extended use can cause hyperthermia.
- Pregnant or possibly pregnant women should limit spa water temperatures to 36°C (100°F). Failure to do so may result in permanent injury to your baby.
- Do not use spa immediately following strenuous exercise.

### **AVOIDING THE RISK OF SKIN BURNS**

- To reduce the risk of injury, before entering a spa the user should measure the water temperature with an accurate thermometer.
- Test the water with your hand before entering the spa to be sure it's comfortable.

### **SAFETY SIGN**

Each **HOT SPRING** spa is shipped with a SAFETY SIGN in the owner's package. The sign, which is required as a condition of Product Listing, should be permanently installed where it is visible to the users of the spa. To obtain additional SAFETY SIGNS, contact your **HOT SPRING** dealer and request Part #70798.

# IMPORTANT SPA INSTRUCTIONS

The following contains important spa information, and we strongly encourage you to read and apply them.

#### DO:

- Use and lock the vinyl cover when the spa is not in use, whether it is empty or full.
- Follow the Spa Care and Maintenance recommendations stated in this manual
- Use only approved accessories and recommended spa chemicals and cleaners.
- · Provide adequate drainage to deal with overflow water.

#### DON'T

- Leave the HOT SPRING spa exposed to the sun without water or the cover in place. Exposure to direct sunlight can cause solar distress of the shell material.
- · Roll or slide the spa on its side. This will damage the siding.
- Lift or drag the vinyl cover by using the cover lock straps; always lift or carry the cover by using the handles.
- Attempt to open the electrical control box. There are no user serviceable parts inside. Opening of the control box by the spa owner will void the warranty. If you have an operational problem, carefully go through the steps outlined in the Troubleshooting section. If you are not able to resolve the problem, contact your authorized HOT SPRING dealer. Many problems can easily be diagnosed over the telephone by an Authorized Service Technician.

### **SPA SHELL**

Your **HOT SPRING** spa has an acrylic shell. Stains and dirt generally will not adhere to your spa's surface. A soft rag should easily remove most dirt. Most household chemicals are harmful to your spa's shell (see below for detailed information on cleaning agents). Always rinse off any spa shell cleaning agent with fresh water.

#### IMPORTANT:

- 1. The following products are the ONLY approved cleaning agents for your HOT SPRING spa shell: plain water, HOT SPRING Freshwater® Spa Shine, or Soft Scrub®. The use of alcohol or any other household cleaner other than those listed to clean the spa shell surface is NOT recommended. DO NOT use any cleaning products containing abrasives or solvents since they may damage the shell surface, specifically: Simple Green®, Windex® or Spa Mitt. NEVER USE HARSH CHEMICALS! Damage to the shell by use of harsh chemicals is not covered under the warranty. Always rinse off any spa shell cleaning agent with fresh water.
- Iron and copper in the water can stain the spa shell if allowed to go unchecked. Ask your HOT SPRING dealer about a Stain and Scale Inhibitor to use if your spa has a high concentration of dissolved minerals. (WATKINS WELLNESS recommends FRESHWATER Stain & Scale Defense.)
- Keep all cleaners out of the reach of children and use care when applying.

# SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

# GETTING STARTED

# SPA FEATURES

**RELAY** model shown, your spa may look different.



 Standard LCD Control Panel. The control panel is accessible from inside or outside the spa and is designed for ease of use.



2) The **Air Control** lever lets you dial in the ideal amount of air for the Precision<sup>®</sup> jets.



3) The **Water Feature** lever adjusts the amount of water that flows from the available water feature.



4) The **XL Directional** jet with directional nozzle provides maximum performance.



 The XL Rotary jet provides greater flow through one rotatary opening creating a unique massage pattern.



6) The **Standard Rotary** jet provides a strong unique massage.



7) The **Standard Directional** jet with directional nozzle provides a strong flow of water.



8) The **PRECISION** jet with directional nozzle delivers a therapeutic massage.



 The Multi-Color LED Points of Light system, has multiple points of multi-color lighting.



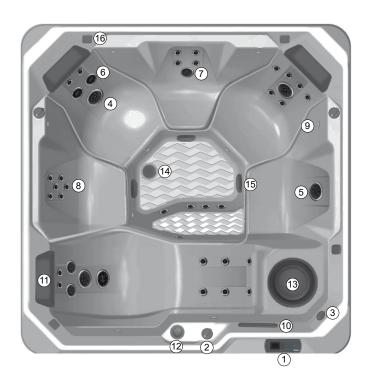
 The water feature adds beauty to your spa experience (Not available on the STRIDE model).



 Pillow - All spas have at lease one pillow or more.



12) FROG housing cap.





13) **Spa Filter** provides the water filtration of the spa.



14) Floor Drain.



15) Spa Suction.



16) An optional 1.5 inch (4 cm) speaker available on music ready spas (Not available on the STRIDE model).

### **DIRECTIONAL & ROTARY JETS**

These jets deliver a great massage to the back and shoulder areas. These jets may provide either a direct stream, or rotating massage patterns. The pressure can be adjusted by rotating the faceplate from a full stream, to shutting the jet completely off. To avoid damage to your spa's plumbing and components, do not turn off more than half of these jets at the same time.

### **PRECISION JETS**

**PRECISION** jets are small. They are designed to perform a soft, soothing massage on your feet, calf, back and shoulders. The Air Control levers are used to change the air intensity of a group of **PRECISION** jets simultaneously.

### **AIR CONTROL SYSTEM**

AIR CONTROL VALVE: Turning the air control lever to the left position allows for the same volume of air to flow to all individual jets and **PRECISION** jets simultaneously. The jet faceplate on the larger jets is then used to control the water intensity of each hydromassage jet.

**NOTE:** Always turn the air control lever to the right position anytime the spa is not being used. This will help make the spa operate more quietly and heat more efficiently when the vinyl cover is in place.

### WATERFALL VALVE

The **RELAY**, **RHYTHM & PROPEL** spas are equipped with a cascading water feature. It is activated by pressing the JETS button up to 2 times when the jets are off and turning the waterfall valve clockwise. The flow is regulated by turning the valve to the desired position. When not in use turn the on/off valve to the OFF position.

# QUICK START-UP INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE YOU FILL YOUR SPA

Make sure your spa has been properly installed per all local codes, this includes the location of the spa, the foundation of the spa as well as the electrical installation of the spa. Please see the Installation Instructions section of the manual.

#### DO:

- Know which water treatment system you will be using and make sure you have necessary chemicals available. Read all of the instructions that come with the system.
- Have FRESHWATER 5-way Test Strips Available.
- Have pH/Alkalinity Up & Down available.
- Know the "Hardness" of your water, contact your dealer to help you with this information. See Water Quality and Maintenance for more information.

**IMPORTANT: WATKINS WELLNESS** does not recommend that the spa be filled with "softened" water, as this may damage the spa's equipment.

 Purchase the Clean Screen<sup>™</sup> pre-filter to remove unwanted contaminants from the tap water. This is recommended, not required.

#### DON'T:

- Power up the spa until it has been filled with water! Power to the spa automatically activates critical components within the spa, such as controls, heater, and other systems. If power is supplied to these components prior to the spa being filled, the components will be damaged, and this may result in a non-warranty component failure.
- Fill the spa with hot water or cold water with cold water temperature below 10° C (50° F)! Tripping of the high-limit thermostat may result causing your spa to stop functioning.
- Use your spa after filling until all of the steps listed below START-UP are completed!
- Add chlorine if treating your spa with polyhexamethylene biguanide (Biguanide, PHMB, eg. BaquaSpa<sup>®</sup>) sanitizer.

## START-UP

Your **HOT SPRING** spa has been thoroughly tested during the manufacturing process to ensure reliability and long-term customer satisfaction. A small amount of water may have remained in the plumbing after testing and, as a result, may have spotted the spa shell or the spa siding prior to delivery. Before filling the spa, wipe the spa shell clean with a soft rag.

The following instructions must be read and followed exactly to ensure a successful start-up or refill.

- CLOSE DRAIN AND FILL THE SPA with water through the
  filter compartment. Your HOT SPRING spa water level should be
  maintained at a level 2.5 cm (1") above the highest jet in the spa.
  NOTE: Remove FROG cap while filling to allow the air to escape the
  plumbing lines. Replace FROG cap once filled.
- AFTER THE SPA HAS BEEN FILLED with water and the equipment compartment door is secured, power must be applied to the spa.
- 3. TO CHECK THE OPERATION OF THE JET SYSTEM and to purge any remaining air from the heating system:

#### **RELAY & RHYTHM** Models:

- Push the JETS 1 button 2 times to run pump on high speed, run for one minute. Press JETS button one more time to shut the JETS off.
- Push the JETS 2 button 1 time to run pump on high speed, run for one minute. Press JETS button one more time to shut the JETS off.

#### PROPEL & STRIDE Model:

 Push the JETS button 2 times to run the jet pump on high speed, run for one minute. Press JETS button one more time to shut the JETS off.

Weak or surging jets are an indication of a low water level condition or clogged filter cartridges.

**IMPORTANT:** Be sure the air Lever (see illustration in Spa Features section) is open by turning clockwise until it stops. Combination jet faces can be turned to completely shut off jet flow, these jets should be open as well.

### 4. USING A TEST STRIP AND APPLICABLE

**CHEMICALS**, adjust Total Alkalinity (TA) to 80 ppm, Calcium Hardness (CH) to 100 ppm, then spa water pH to between 7.2 and 7.8. These procedures are listed in the "Water Quality and Maintenance" section.

**IMPORTANT:** Always add spa water chemicals directly into the filter compartment with the jet pump on high speed for at least ten minutes. Adjusting the Total Alkalinity (TA) as the first step is important, as out-of-balance TA will affect your ability to adjust the pH correctly and will prevent the sanitizer from operating effectively.

5. SUPERCHLORINATE THE SPA WATER by adding 1½ teaspoons of chlorine (sodium dichlor) per 950 liters (250 gallons) of spa water placing JETS (1) on high (see step 3) and run for 10 minutes then shut pump off.

- 6. SET THE TEMPERATURE CONTROL, the spa is pre-programmed to reach 38° C (100°F), and will normally do so within 18 to 24 hours. You may raise or lower the water temperature by:
  - Pressing the (+) button on the control panel to raise the temperature.
  - Pressing the (-) button on the control panel to lower the temperature.

Place the vinyl cover on the spa and allow the water temperature to stabilize. Make sure you secure the cover in place using the cover locks. Periodically check the spa water temperature. When the water temperature climbs above 32°C (90°F), proceed to the next step.

To prevent tampering, you can lock your desired temperature setting. Refer to the Operating section for details.

 IF USING FROG INSTALL FROG bromine cartridge. Dial the bromine cartridge to setting 6 and snap into the bottom space of the cartridge holder.

**WARNING:** High sanitizer levels can cause discomfort to the user's eyes, lungs and skin. Always allow the sanitizer level to fall to the recommended range before using the spa.

**IMPORTANT:** Each time the spa is filled with water, you must remove and reinstall the **FROG** cap, even if you are not replacing the cartridge, in order to properly prime the jet pumps.

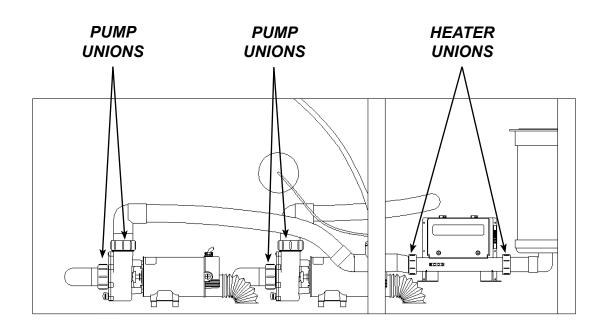
- 8. TEST THE SPA WATER FOR CHLORINE RESIDUAL. If the residual is between 3 and 5 ppm on the test strips, go on to the next step. If the residual is less than 3 ppm, place JETS (1) on high (see step 3) and then retest, add more chlorine as necessary and run for 10 minutes.
- 9. RECHECK the Total Alkalinity (TA) at 80 ppm, Calcium Hardness (CH) at 100 ppm, then spa water pH at between 7.2 and 7.8. using a FRESHWATER 5-way test strip.
  IMPORTANT: Make sure you adjust your Total Alkalinity first, as an out-of-balance condition will affect your ability to adjust the pH correctly, and will prevent the sanitizer from operating effectively. The spa is ready for use when the chlorine level remains between 3 ppm and 5 ppm.
- 10. TEST WATER WEEKLY OR BEFORE EACH TIME THE SPA IS USED

# PRIMING THE PUMP(S)

Upon filling or refilling the spa, if a pump is operating and water is not flowing from any of its jets, the pump may not be properly primed. To correct, refer to the illustration below and perform the following procedures:

- Turn off power to the spa at the breaker and remove the equipment compartment door.
- Loosen the union on the top of the pump(s) to allow the air to escape. When water is present, hand-tighten the union.
- Turn power back on, activate the pump and check to make sure union is tight enough to keep it from leaking. Re-install equipment door.

NOTE: Equipment compartment illustrated below will vary depending on spa model.



# <u>IMPORTANT</u>

THE DRAIN CAP AND UNION FITTINGS IN THE EQUIPMENT COMPARTMENT
MAY LOOSEN DURING TRANSPORTATION. TO AVOID LEAKS, PLEASE
CHECK TO MAKE SURE THESE ARE HAND-TIGHT
PRIOR TO FILLING YOUR SPA.

# WATER QUALITY AND MAINTENANCE

# BASIC INFORMATION

It's important to have clean water. Water maintenance is one of the least understood, yet most important, areas of spa ownership. Your dealer can guide you through the process of achieving and maintaining perfect water in your spa, given your local conditions.

**IMPORTANT:** Water Terminology can be found at the end of this section.

- Always read & refer to the owner's manual for complete information.
- **Test your water** with a test strip once a week, or each time the spa is used.
- Add chemicals in frequent small amounts to prevent overdosing the spa.
- Use the spa only when the chlorine level is between 1-5 ppm or manually add chlorine as needed.
- It is the spa owner's responsibility to prevent over or under chlorination.
- Drain & refill water 3-4 times per year depending on how often you use your spa, and how many people use it.

**IMPORTANT:** Remember to change your water every three to four months.

Check with your **HOT SPRING** dealer to determine if water in your region has unique qualities - such as high metal or mineral content - that should be addressed.

Your program will depend on your water's mineral content, how often you use your spa, and how many people use it.

### WATER QUALITY CHART

PARAMETER	TARGET	MIN - "OK" RANGE - MAX			
pН	7.4	7.2	7.8		
ALKALINITY	80 ppm	40 ppm	120 ppm		
HARDNESS	100 ppm	50 ppm	150 ppm		
CHLORINE	3 ppm	1 ppm	5 ppm		

Maintaining the water quality and the cleanliness of the filter in your spa is your responsibility. Keeping the spa water balanced prolongs the life of the spa components and will make the water more comfortable. Your dealer can guide you through the process of achieving and maintaining perfect water in your spa, given your local conditions. Your program will depend on your water's mineral content, how often you use your spa, and how many people use it. WATKINS WELLNESS has developed several water care systems and products to simplify water care which are available from authorized HOT SPRING dealers.

HOT SPRING FRESHWATER products | Vanishing Act™ Calcium Remover

FROG Water Care System

**CLEAN SCREEN Prefilter** 

For more information visit www.hotspring.com/save-water/

### CHEMICAL SAFETY

When using chemicals, read the labels carefully and follow directions precisely. Though chemicals protect you and your spa when used

correctly, they can be hazardous in concentrated form. Always observe the following guidelines:

- · Allow only a responsible person to handle spa chemicals. Keep them out of the reach of children.
- · Accurately measure the exact quantities specified, never more. Do not overdose your spa.
- Handle all containers with care. Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated
- Always keep chemical containers closed when not in use. Replace caps on their proper containers.
- · Don't inhale fumes, or allow chemicals to come in contact with your eyes, nose, or mouth. Wash your hands immediately after use.
- Follow the emergency advice on the product label in case of accidental contact, or if the chemical is swallowed. Call a doctor or the local Poison Control Center. If a doctor is needed, take the product container along with you so that the substance can be identified.
- Don't let chemicals get on surrounding surfaces or landscaping. Don't use a vacuum cleaner to clean up chemical spills.
- Never smoke around chemicals. Some fumes can be highly flammable.
- Don't store any chemicals in the spa equipment compartment.

# HOW TO ADD CHEMICALS TO THE WATER

**IMPORTANT:** All spa water chemicals (other than FROG cartridge). including granulated dichlor, MPS, granulated pH increaser or decreaser, granulated total alkalinity increaser, liquid stain and scale inhibitor, and liquid defoamer must always be added directly into the filter compartment while the jet pump is running in its high speed mode, and it must run for a minimum of ten minutes.

## To Administer Spa Water Chemicals:

- Fold back the cover. Carefully remove and set aside the filter compartment cover.
- On your Control Panel:
  - Push the JETS button two times for Propel & STRIDE models.
  - Push JETS 1 button two times for RELAY & RHYTHM models
- Carefully measure the recommended amount of chemical and slowly pour it into the filter compartment. Use care not to splash chemicals on your hands, in your eyes, on the spa shell surface, or on the spa cabinet.
- Replace the filter compartment cover. After ten minutes, the jet pump will automatically shut off to complete the procedure. Close and secure the cover.

DANGER: Risk of Drowning: Never leave an open spa unattended!

**IMPORTANT:** After administering a super chlorination treatment or nonchlorine shock to your spa, leave the cover open for a minimum of 20 minutes to allow the oxidizer gas to vent. A high concentration of trapped oxidizer gas which may exist as a result of the shock treatment (not daily sanitation) may eventually cause discoloration or vinyl degradation to the bottom of the cover. This type of damage is considered chemical abuse and is not covered under the terms of the limited warranty.

# FUNDAMENTALS OF WATER MAINTENANCE

- Testing: Test the water weekly or each time the spa is used with convenient FRESHWATER 5-way test strips or more accurate liquid/ tablet reagent test kit per instructions. Critical parameters: sanitizer level, pH, Calcium Hardness (CH), and Total Alkalinity (TA). Store test equipment in a dark, cool, dry place to maintain potency.
- Water Filtration: The filtration used in HOT SPRING spas helps keep water clean by circulating sanitizer and removing waste from the spa. Regularly inspect and clean filters for peak performance
- Chemical Balance/pH Control: It is important to adjust the primary water parameters (Total Alkalinity, Calcium hardness, pH) into the recommended ranges so that they are stabilized or balanced. Balance
  - the water chemistry every time you fill the spa with new water and then during the life of that body of water. Keeping the water in balance prevents damage by holding the pH in a safe range and preventing calcium scale formation on spa equipment. A low pH can damage metal components whereas a high pH can cause high levels of calcium to form scale. Your dealer should provide a detailed water chemistry orientation soon after

ALKALINE SPA WATER	8.2	ADD pH DECREASER
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COMFORT ZONE	7.4	IDEAL
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ACIDIC SPA WATER	6.8	ADD pH INCREASER
(CORROSIVE ZONE)	рН	TO RAISE pH

your new spa is filled for the very first time.

- The following three water components must be kept in balance to avoid damage to the spa. Do balance these components in the order they are listed here as each will help you balance the next using a minimum amount of chemicals.
- Calcium Hardness (CH) CH is the measure of the amount
  of dissolved calcium in the water. Low levels can make the
  water corrosive and high levels cause scale formation of spa
  components. The recommended CH reading is between
  50 150 ppm. If the CH level is too high, lower it with the
  VANISHING ACT calcium remover per instructions. Once in
  balance, the CH reading normally remains stable until new water is
  added. Great care must be taken when filling the spa from a water
  softener to ensure that the calcium remains in balance and avoid
  damage to the spa.
- 2. Total Alkalinity (TA) TA is a measure of the water's ability to resist changes of pH or buffer capacity. A low TA allows the pH to fluctuate easily. The recommended TA reading is between 40 120 ppm. To raise the TA, use FRESHWATER pH/ Alkalinity Up (sodium hydrogen carbonate). To lower the TA, use FRESHWATER pH/Alkalinity Down (sodium bisulfate). Once the TA is balanced, it normally remains stable until the next drain/ refill. We recommend you check the TA reading once per month. Raising/lowering the TA may cause the pH readings to fluctuate widely. Ignore the pH readings on the test strip while you are balancing the TA.
- 3. pH The pH is the measure of the acidity and alkalinity. Maintaining the proper pH level will optimize the effectiveness of the sanitizer, preventing damage to the spa and physical discomfort for spa users. A low pH dissipates sanitizer, causes corrosion, and irritates spa users. A high pH level will neutralize sanitizer, promote scaling and cloud water. The recommended pH reading is between 7.2 7.8. To lower the pH level, use FRESHWATER

- pH/Alkalinity Down (sodium bisulfate). To raise the pH level, use **FRESHWATER** pH/Alkalinity Up (sodium carbonate).
- Water Conditioners: Spa fill water varies from location to location and user to user, therefore it is important to consult with your dealer for an appropriate program.
  - a. VANISHING ACT High levels of calcium and some minerals can be removed from the water with the single use VANISHING ACT. High calcium levels can cause scale formation on the spa equipment and shell.
  - b. CLEAN SCREEN pre-filter —The CLEAN SCREEN pre-filter should be used at every fill and top-off to remove contaminants from the fill water, especially iron, copper, and manganese. Many water sources including well water contain high concentrations of minerals that can cause staining of the shell and plastics.
  - c. Stain and Scale control For water high in calcium and minerals, it may be necessary to use an anti-scalant like Stain and Scale control. As water evaporates from your spa and new water is added, the amount of dissolved minerals like calcium, copper, iron, and manganese will increase. (Minimize evaporation by keeping the cover on the spa whenever possible.) High iron or copper content in the water may produce green or brown stains on the spa.
  - d. Foam Inhibitors Soap is introduced into the spa water from users' bodies and swimming apparel and can cause the spa water to foam when the jets are used. Low levels of calcium hardness (soft water) can increase foaming. Although ozone can oxidize soap residual, it may become necessary to add Foam Inhibitors to suppress the foam. Excessive soap in the water may require a water change to resolve.
- Oxidizers: Ozone and Monopersulfate (MPS) are oxidizers used to
  prevent the buildup of contaminants, maximize sanitizer efficiency,
  minimize combined chlorine, and improve water clarity. They
  are to be used in conjunction with EPA registered sanitizers. The
  FRESHWATER III high output ozone system uses Corona Discharge
  technology to produce a high concentration of ozone which is injected
  into the spa water 24 hours per day. FRESHWATER Chlorine-Free
  Oxidizer, Monopersulfate (MPS) is a granular oxidizing chemical.
- Sanitizers: Maintaining the recommended residual level of an EPA registered sanitizer at all times will decrease the occurrence of unsafe bacteria and viruses in your spa water. The recommended Free Available Chlorine (FAC), the amount of available chlorine sanitizer, is 3.0-5.0 ppm. A low FAC can allow bacteria and viruses to grow rapidly in the warm water, and a high FAC can cause discomfort to the user's eyes, lungs, and skin. Each sanitizer carries its own instructions regarding how much to use and when to add it to the spa water. Consult your dealer for their recommendations and instructions on proper sanitizing of the spa.
  - a. FRESHWATER Concentrated Chlorinating Granules
  - b. Sodium Dichloro-s-Triazinetrione (sodium dichlor or chlorine)
  - c. Brominating Concentrate (one step granular bromine).
  - BaquaSpa® (please consult your BAQUASPA manual for instructions on the use of this product).
  - e. FROG sanitizing system (bromine).

**IMPORTANT:** DO NOT use tri-chlor chlorine, bromo-chloro-dimethyl-hydantoin (BCDMH), or any type of compressed bromine or chlorine, acid or any type of sanitizer which is not recommended by **WATKINS WELLNESS**.

# FROG WATER CARE SYSTEM

THE FROG BROMINE CARTRIDGE (BCDMH). The only available cartridge sanitizer that will work in the FROG System.

It is important that in addition to regularly testing and balancing your spa water, a weekly "shock treatment" is required. The shock treatment quickly destroys any remaining contaminants while revitalizing the bromine in the water.

To weekly "shock treat" your spa, we recommend that you use **FRESHWATER** MPS Plus.

The following optional products can be used in conjunction with the **FROG** Water Care system:

FRESHWATER MPS PLUS NON-CHLORINE SHOCK (MPS/Monopersulfate) is an oxidizing chemical used to prevent the buildup of contaminants, maximize sanitizer efficiency, and improve water clarity. When used in conjunction with the FROG system it oxidizes particulates in the spa water.

**IMPORTANT NOTE: FRESHWATER** MPS Plus is an oxidizer, not a sanitizer.

**FRESHWATER** III high output ozone system is the only ozone purification system approved for installation in your **HOT SPRING** Spa. The **FRESHWATER** III high output ozone system utilizes CD technology to produce a higher concentration of ozone than is **produced by a competing** chip style CD or ultraviolet light ozone systems.

NOTE: Refer to the instructions of your FROG manual for startup and operation instructions from either your dealer or on the Frogproducts.com website.

It is important to follow the recommended application and maintenance programs outlined for each product's use. If the spa is being used over an extended period or time, such as a whole afternoon or evening, additional sanitizer will be needed.

# FROG CARTRIDGE REPLACEMENT INSTRUCTIONS

The **FROG** bromine cartridge should be replaced every 2-4 weeks, depending on User Load.

To replace FROG cartridges, follow these steps:

- Turn off power to the spa.
- 2. Unscrew FROG cap on top edge of spa.
- 3. Push down on handle and turn counter-clockwise.
- 4. Lift cartridge holder up and out of spa.
- Remove and discard old cartridge.
- 6. Turn top cap of new bromine cartridge to setting #3 (measure bromine with bromine Test Strip in 1 week and adjust as necessary).
- Snap bromine cartridge into the bottom of holder.
   IMPORTANT: It is important that the bromine cartridge is on the bottom; otherwise, the bromine cartridge could dispense prematurely.
- 8. Reinstall cartridge holder into spa, push down, and twist clockwise.
- 9. Replace FROG cap.
- 10. Reconnect power to the spa.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Only use the bottom section for this cartridge or the bromine contents will dispense too quickly. Test your water and adjust the bromine cartridge daily until the proper range of 3.0 to 5.0 is established.

**WARNING:** High sanitizer levels can cause discomfort to the user's eyes, lungs and skin. Always allow the sanitizer level to fall to the recommended range before using the spa.

# THE **HOT SPRING** SPA WATER MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

### FILLING THE SPA WITH WATER

Use the **CLEAN SCREEN** Pre-filter to remove unwanted contaminants such as rust, dirt, detergents, and algae from the fill water. Dissolved metals, copper, iron, and manganese are also removed. Instructions are included with the **CLEAN SCREEN** Pre-filter. Always fill the spa through the filter compartment. Do not fill your spa using water from a swimming pool as pool chemicals are very different from those used in a spa and can damage your spa.

### ADDING CHEMICALS TO THE WATER

All spa water chemicals, including granulated dichlor, MPS, granulated pH increaser or decreaser, granulated total alkalinity increaser, liquid stain and scale inhibitor, and liquid defoamer must always be added directly into the filter compartment while the jet pump is running in its high speed mode, and it must run for a minimum of ten minutes with the cover off. Run the Jets (1) for 10 minutes to ensure that the chemicals are properly mixed when adding.

### BUILDING A SANITIZER ROUTINE

During the first month of ownership, measure the sanitizer residual daily in order to establish a baseline of sanitizer needed vs. spa usage. Sanitizer needed is the amount of Free Available Chlorine needed to accommodate the number of users and their combined usage time. For example, two spa users for twenty minutes every day creates regular demand on the sanitizer that is used to determine how much sanitizer to add in order to maintain the proper residual. If the usage pattern increases dramatically with invited guests, the amount and frequency of sanitizer required increases dramatically.

# PERFORMING SUPER CHLORINATION/ NON-CHLORINE SHOCK TREATMENT

A weekly or monthly super chlorination (1.5 tsp dichlor/950 liters (250 gallons)) or shock (4tbs mps/950 liters (250 gallons)) may be required of your chosen sanitation program. Increasing chlorine to 5 ppm for 24-48 hours removes excess waste and chloramines from the water. Sodium dichlor is 6x stronger than MPS and may be a more appropriate for those users that experience heavy bather load conditions. Operate all jets and leave the cover open for a minimum of 20 minutes to allow the oxidizer gas to vent to prevent damage and discoloration to the cover and pillows after administering a super chlorination or shock to your spa. This type of damage is considered chemical abuse and is not covered under the terms of the limited warranty.

**IMPORTANT:** Always allow the Free Available Chlorine to fall below 5 ppm before using your spa.

**DANGER:** Never leave an open spa unattended, especially if there are children present!

## **EVERFRESH WATER CARE SYSTEM (OPTIONAL)**

The **EVERFRESH** water care system is comprised of the following products:

- CLEAN SCREEN Pre-filter
- FRESHWATER Concentrated Chlorinating Granules, Sodium Dichlor
- FRESHWATER Chlorine-Free Oxidizer, Monopersulfate (MPS)
- FRESHWATER III high output ozone system
- FRESHWATER<sub>Aq</sub>+ Silver lon purifier

The **EVERFRESH** system introduces silver ions into the spa water via erosion of silver infused beads which inhibits bacteria growth. When combined with MPS, or chlorine, waste is oxidized and removed from the water. It is important to follow the recommended application and maintenance programs outlined for each product's use. If the spa is being used over an extended period of time, such as a whole afternoon or evening, additional sanitizer will be needed.

Required: Weekly Super Chlorinate/Shock the spa to reactivate the silver ion cartridge, allow the release of silver ions, and quickly destroy any remaining contaminants. Without this weekly shock treatment, the silver ion cartridge may stop releasing silver ions into the water.

**IMPORTANT:** Use only Dichlor sanitizer. Silver is not compatible with bromine and biguanides. Don't use a water clarifier. Clarifiers will cause the spa water to become cloudy.

# MANUAL CHLORINE (SODIUM DICHLOR)

**WATKINS WELLNESS** recommends the use of **FRESHWATER**Concentrated Chlorinating Granules (sodium dichlor) for sanitizing the water.
Sodium dichlor is preferred because it is totally soluble, dissolves quickly, and is nearly pH neutral. The recommended Free Available Chlorine (FAC), the amount of available chlorine sanitize the spa, 3.0-5.0 ppm.

If the FAC is too low: Increase the FAC by adding granulated sodium dichlor.

If the FAC is too high: Allow time to pass and the FAC level will naturally drop over time.

If the spa smells of chlorine: super chlorinate or shock the spa FAC chlorine does not have an odor whereas combined spent chlorine (chloramines) has a strong chlorine odor that can be eliminated by shocking the water.

**IMPORTANT:** There are several forms of stabilized chlorine available for use in spas and swimming pools. It is extremely important to choose one specifically designed for spas. Use of an incorrect product such as trichlor which has a very low pH (2.6) and dissolves too quickly in hot water, results in extremely high levels of chlorine that **WILL** cause damage to your spa. Use of a compressed bromine/chlorine or unapproved sanitizer **WILL** damage your spa and is specifically not covered under the terms of the limited warranty.

### **OZONE MAINTENANCE**

Reduced or no ozone bubbles coming from heater return (clogged ozone injector) or no ozone, clean the injector:

- 1. Place 0.5 liter (16 ounces) of white vinegar into a cup or bucket.
- Carefully loosen the long tubing attached to the bottom of the ozonator, located in the equipment compartment.

**DANGER:** Place the end of the tubing into the vinegar, making certain that the end of the tubing sits at the bottom of the container.

Run the spa until 0.5 liters (16 ounces) of the vinegar are gone. This should allow an ample flow of vinegar to be run through the injector and clear the blockage. 4. Reinstall the tubing to the bottom of the ozonator.

Water chemistry damage is not covered by the warranty. The chemical levels and water quality in the spa are under your direct control. With proper basic care, the spa will provide many years of hot water relaxation. If you are unsure about any chemical or its usage in the spa, contact your Authorized Dealer, or **WATKINS WELLNESS**.

#### DO:

- Add all chemicals slowly into the filter compartment with the jet pump operating for ten minutes.
- Use special care if using baking soda to clean either the interior or exterior plastic surfaces.

**IMPORTANT: WATKINS WELLNESS** DOES NOT recommend the use of any floating chemical dispenser. Damage to the spa shell or components caused by a floating chemical dispenser is specifically not covered under the terms of the limited warranty. Floating dispensers can become trapped in one area and cause an over-sanitization or release large chunks of sanitizer that can very quickly chemically burn the shell and cover.

### DON'T:

- Use compressed sanitizers.
- Use a floater type sanitization system as a low or no maintenance solution to your spa maintenance program.
- · Use a sanitizer which is not designed for spas.
- Use swimming pool (muriatic) acid to lower pH.
- Broadcast or sprinkle the chemicals onto the water surface. This method
  may cause chemically-induced spa surface blistering (chemical abuse).

# VACATION WATER CARE INSTRUCTIONS

If you plan to be away from home, follow these instructions to ensure that the water quality of your spa is maintained:

# SHORT TIME PERIODS (3-5 DAYS):

- Adjust the pH by following the instructions outlined in the Water Quality and Maintenance section.
- Sanitize the water by following the shock procedures also listed in the Water Quality and Maintenance section.
- 3. Lock your cover in place using the coverlocks.
- 4. Upon your return, sanitize the water by following the shock procedures, and balance the pH.

# LONG TIME PERIODS (5-14 DAYS):

### Prior to leaving:

 At least one day before you leave, set the temperature to its lowest level. This setting should represent an approximate water temperature of 27°C (80°F).

**IMPORTANT:** Spa water oxidizers such as sodium dichlor (chlorine) maintain their level of effectiveness substantially longer in warm water 27°C (80°F) than in hot water 38°C - 40°C (101°F to 104°F).

Adjust the pH as required. Sanitize the water by following the shock procedures.

## Upon your return:

3. Sanitize the water by following the shock procedures. Return the set

temperature to its original setting. The spa water will be safe for you to use once the Free Available Chlorine residual level has dropped below 5.0 ppm.

**IMPORTANT:** If you will not be using your spa for an extended period of time (in excess of 14 days) and an outside maintenance service (or neighbor) is not available to assist with the water maintenance, draining or winterizing of the spa is recommended. Spas equipped with our **FRESHWATER** III ozone system can extend this to 4 weeks. The **FRESHWATER** III ozone system does not guard against possible freezing damage, however.

### SUPPLEMENTAL WATER MAINTENANCE

Proper water sanitation and mineral balance (pH control) are absolutely essential for a complete spa water maintenance program. Here are two other popular water additives that are optional:

## **Mineral Deposit Inhibitors**

As water evaporates from your spa and new water is added, the amount of dissolved minerals will increase. (Minimize evaporation by keeping the cover on the spa whenever possible.) The spa water may eventually become "hard" (Calcium Hardness too high) enough to damage the heater by calcifying its surface. Proper pH control can minimize this.

Normal soap build-up will require water replacement regularly enough that mineral deposits normally are not a problem.

Occasionally, high iron or copper content in the water may produce green or brown stains on the spa. A stain and scale inhibitor may help to reduce these metals.

**IMPORTANT:** Well water may contain high concentrations of minerals. The use of a low water volume, extra-fine pore water filter (in-line pre-filter such as the **CLEAN SCREEN** pre-filter) will help to remove many of the larger particles during the filling of the spa. In-line pre-filters can be purchased at your local **HOT SPRING** dealer.

### Foam Inhibitors

Spa water requires changing due to the buildup of soap in the water. Typically, soap will cause the spa water to foam when the jets are used. Soap is introduced into the spa water from two sources: users' bodies, which retain a soap residual after showering, and swimming apparel, which retains soap after washing.

Foam inhibitors can suppress foam, but cannot remove soap from the water. Soap is very difficult to remove from the water because soap is not oxidized by any chemical added to the spa. Only ozone can oxidize soap. Eventually the soap build-up in the water will be concentrated, resulting in an unclean feeling on the bather's skin, which is impossible to remedy. When this occurs, it's time to drain and refill the spa. Depending on the soap input, the water should last about four months before needing to be drained.

# WATER TERMINOLOGY

The following chemical terms are used in this Water Quality and Maintenance section. Understanding their meaning will help you to better understand the water maintenance process.

**Bromamines:** Compounds formed when bromine combines with nitrogen from body oils, urine, perspiration, etc. Unlike chloramines, bromamines have no pungent odor, and are effective sanitizers.

**Bromine:** A halogen sanitizer (in the same chemical family as chlorine). Bromine is commonly used in stick, tablet, or granular form.

**Calcium Hardness:** The amount of dissolved calcium in the spa water. This should be approximately 50 -150 ppm. High levels of calcium can

cause cloudy water and scaling. Low levels can cause harm to the spa equipment.

**Chloramines:** Compounds formed when chlorine combines with nitrogen from body oils, urine, perspiration, etc. Chloramines can cause eye irritation as well as having a strong odor. Unlike bromamines, chloramines are weaker, slower sanitizers.

**Chlorine:** An efficient sanitizing chemical for spas. **WATKINS WELLNESS** recommends the use of sodium dichlor-type granulated chlorine. This type is preferred because it is totally soluble and nearly pH neutral.

**Chlorine (or Bromine) Residual:** The amount of chlorine or bromine remaining after chlorine or bromine demand has been satisfied. The residual is, therefore, the amount of sanitizer which is chemically available to kill bacteria, viruses and algae.

**Corrosion:** The gradual wearing away of metal and plastic spa parts, usually caused by chemical action. Generally, corrosion is caused by low pH or by water with levels of TA, CH, pH or sanitizer which are outside the recommended ranges.

**Halogen:** Any one of these five elements: fluorine, chlorine, bromine, iodine, and astatine.

**MPS:** Monopersulfate is the non-chlorine oxidizer used with the  $FRESHWATER_{Ag+}$  silver ion purification system. Not a sanitizer.

**Nitric Acid:** The formulation of nitric acid, a highly corrosive chemical, is a byproduct of the ozone generating process. Nitric acid is produced in very small quantities and is readily dissolved in the water stream with ozone.

**Oxidizer:** The use of an oxidizing chemical is to prevent the buildup of contaminants, maximize sanitizer efficiency, minimize combined chlorine and improve water clarity. See MPS and Ozone.

**Ozone:** Ozone is a powerful oxidizing agent which is produced in nature and artificially by man. Ozone forms no byproducts, oxidizes chloramines, and will not alter the water's pH.

**pH:** The measure of the spa water's acidity and alkalinity. The recommended pH for the spa water is 7.2 to 7.8. Below 7.0 (considered neutral), the spa water is too acidic and can damage the heating system. Above 7.8, the water is too alkaline and can result in cloudy water, and scale formation on the shell and heater.

**ppm:** The abbreviation of "parts per million", the standard measurement of chemical concentration in water. Identical to mg/l (milligrams per liter).

**Reagent:** A chemical material in liquid, powder, or tablet form for use in chemical testing.

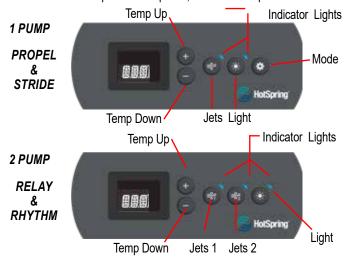
**Sanitizer:** Sanitizers are added and maintained at recommended residuals to protect bathers against pathogenic organisms which can cause disease and infection in spa water.

**Scale:** Rough calcium-bearing deposits that can coat spa surfaces, heaters, plumbing lines, and clog filters. Generally, scaling is caused by mineral content combined with high pH. Additionally, scale forms more readily at higher water temperatures.

**Super-Chlorination:** Also known as "shock treatment." Super-Chlorination is a process of adding significant doses of a quick dissolving sanitizer ("dichlor" is recommended) to oxidize non-filterable organic waste and to remove chloramines and bromamines.

**Total Alkalinity (TA):** The amount of bicarbonates, carbonates, and hydroxides present in spa water. Proper total alkalinity is important for pH control. If the TA is too high, the pH is difficult to adjust. If the TA is too low, the pH will be difficult to hold at the proper level. The desired range of TA in spa water is 40 to 120 ppm.

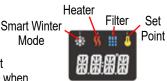
**Initial start-up** - When the spa is first powered up, the control system begins a 2 minute Startup Mode. Different codes will display on the screen. Once Startup Mode completes, the actual temperature is



displayed on the screen. Once Startup Mode completes, the actual temperature is displayed on the screen for the 1 pump models and a time/actual temperature is displayed for the 2 pump models. The spa will then begin to heat and maintain the water temperature and the first filter cycle will start with a 2 minute purge cycle for the second pump for 2 pump models. Your spa has been designed so that it will automatically

Mode

heat the water to the factory set temperature of 38°C (100°F) unless you set the spa to a different temperature. If power is disconnected from the spa, it will automatically revert back to the last saved set temperature when



power is reapplied. Depending on your spa model you will either have a one pump or two pump control panel as illustrated.

### TEMPERATURE ADJUSTMENT 🌡



The temperature can only function between 26.5°C - 40°C (80°F -104°F). The last measured temperature will constantly display on LCD.

Press the Up or Down buttons to display the set temperature and indicator . Each time either button is pressed again, the set temperature will increase or decrease depending on which button is pressed. After five seconds, the LCD will automatically display the current spa temperature.

The "Heat" indicator \$\int \text{lights up when heating. It flashes when there is a request for more heat. Once set temperature has been reached the indicator \int \text{shuts off, the low speed of the jet pump turns off after 30 seconds afterwards (if not in filter cycle).

### JETS OPERATION

**2 pump models**: Firmly press the *Jets (1)* button once to activate the low speed of the pump and again for the high speed. Firmly press the Jets (1) button again to turn off the pump. If left running the low or high speed pump will automatically turn off after 1 hour. The "Jets" indicator light above the button will blink when the jet pump is on low speed and is solid on high speed. Press the Jets (2) button once to activate jet pump 2 on high and press a second time to turn jet pump 2

**1 pump models**: Press the *Jets* button once to turn the pump on low speed, a second time for high speed and a third time to turn off the pump.

### MULTI COLOR LED LIGHT

Press the *Light* button once to turn on the light, the light indicator next to the button is lit when the light is on. Press the button again to turn the light off. Every time the light is quickly turned off and on, a new light mode will appear. The sequence is as follows: White, Red, Green, Blue, Red, Purple, Yellow, Aqua, Amber, color wheel 1, color wheel 2. The last light mode used will come back on when the light is turned off for more than 2 seconds.

**NOTE:** If left on, the light will automatically turn off after 4 hours of operation.

## SMART WINTER MODE &

The Smart Winter Mode (SWM) is used to prevent water from freezing in the plumbing of the spa. As soon as there is a risk of freezing, this protection automatically kicks in. The SWM protection will turn back off only after 24 hours without a risk of freezing. During this 24 hour period, the Smart Winter Mode icon remains on; the icon blinks when the purge is active.

# SPA LOCK (PARTIAL/FULL)

Press and hold both the *Up* and *Down* buttons for 5 seconds to activate a partial spa lock, LocP is displayed for a few seconds. In partial mode only the jets and light buttons will function, the temperature can not be changed and the LocP will display if temp up/down is pressed.

Press and hold both the *Up* and *Down* buttons for 10 seconds to activate a full spa lock, LocF is displayed for a few seconds. In full mode none of the functions are accessible. LocF will display for a few seconds if any button is pressed.

To remove partial or full lock, simply press and hold both the *Up* and Down buttons for 5 seconds and ULoc will display.

# MUSIC (WHEN EQUIPPED)

You spa is equipped with a Bluetooth music sound system that requires a bluetooth device to pair up with the spa. To pair the spa and Bluetooth device:

- Go to the Bluetooth settings on your device and find in stream 2 and press connect.
- Enter pin 5555 and press pair to sync your device. You are now ready to play audio from your device.

# OPERATIONAL MODES (PROPEL & STRIDE ONLY) FILTER CYCLES !!!

There are two filter cycles: the first cycle (F1) starts right after power up and the second cycle (F2) will start 12 hours later. The default duration for the first filter cycle is 1 hour, and 30 minutes for the second cycle. Filter cycles only run on low speed. The "Filter" indicator **!!!** lights up when a filter cycle is on. The duration of each filter cycle can be modified.

### ADJUSTING PRESET FILTER CYCLES

Filter duration is programmable between 0.5 and 6 hours in 30 minute increments (0.5 hours) for both filter cycles. To program the cycle times:

- Press and hold *Mode* button for 5 seconds until F1 is displayed.
- Press the Up +/Down buttons to adjust the cycle time for F1.

- Press the Mode button to store the F1 cycle and move to the F2 cycle.
- 4. Press the *Up +/Down -* button to adjust the cycle time for F2.
- Wait 15 seconds to allow the exit timer to expire and store the setting.

**IMPORTANT:** To reset the first filter cycle "start time", skip step 5 and continue pressing the *Mode* button until the actual temperature is displayed. Powering down of the spa will also reset the first filter start time.

### FILTER CYCLE SUSPENSION

The filter cycle will be suspended every time a jet pump or light is activated manually during the filter cycle time. The suspension will end 10 minutes after the completion of the manual use. The jet pump will continue to run when the spa heater is on.

### STANDARD MODE (St)

The Standard Mode is the default operational mode preset from the factory. In order to program the spa to operate and change into other modes you must enter the programming mode to make the change. Standard mode is programmed to maintain the desired temperature with periodic water circulation (sampling) to sample water temperature and heat the water to the set temperature.

**NOTE:** Water sampling will turn the jet pump on and circulate the water for up to a couple of minutes then turn back off.

ECONOMY MODE (EC): The spa will not heat. Water sampling only done during the filter cycle.

SLEEP MODE (SL): The spa will only heat during the filter cycles. Water sampling only done during the filter cycle.

### QUIET MODE (nt)

Keeps the jet pump from running (water sampling) after the F2 filter cycle is complete for up to 11.5 hours. You can set this mode between 0.5 hours and 11.5 hours in half hour increments.

**NOTE:** Freeze Protection (Smart Winter Mode) will assert as necessary during any mode.

To enter the programming screen and toggle between Standard, Economy, Sleep and Quiet Modes the following is required:

- 1. Press and hold the *Mode* button for 5 seconds.
- Press the *Mode* button several times until St or nt is displayed.
- Use the *Temp Up or Down* button to choose between the Modes.
   St = Standard Mode, EC = Economy Mode, SL = Sleep Mode, and nt = Quiet Mode.
- 4. Wait 15 seconds to allow the exit timer to expire and store the setting.

To Program the Quiet Mode the following is required: Once in the nt mode, press the *Mode* button then press the *Up/Down* button to change the amount of time you do not want the jet pump to come on between F2 and F1.

### FAHRENHEIT/CELSIUS SETTING F

To change water temperature display to either Fahrenheit or Celsius, press and hold *Mode* button for 5 seconds until F1 is displayed. Press the *Mode* button several times until F or C is displayed. Press the *Up/Down* button to change. Wait 15 seconds to allow the exit timer to expire and store the setting.

# OPERATIONAL MODES (RELAY & RHYTHM ONLY) SETTING THE CLOCK

Enter the program menu by holding down the *Light* button for 5 seconds. The display will show the current clock setting with the hour flashing.

Your system is set to a 12-hour time. An additional dot is lit between the ":" separation of hours and minutes to serve as an AM indicator.

Setting the hour: Use the *Up/Down* button to adjust the hour. Press the *Light* button to jump to the next parameter, the minutes.

Setting the minutes: Use the *Up/Down* button to adjust the minutes. Press the *Light* button to jump to the next parameter, the filter cycles.

NOTE: If your spa loses power the clock will need to be reset once power is regained.

# FILTER CYCLES!!!

Program the start time, duration and frequency of your filter cycles. The default duration for the filter cycles is 1 hour (2 times per day spread out by 12 hours) if the clock is not set and will start at 12. Filter cycles only run at low speed, however, the second pump will purge for a minute first during each filter cycle. The "Filter" indicator !!! lights up when a filter cycle is on. The duration of each filter cycle can also be modified.

### SETTING THE FILTER CYCLES

To program the filter cycle start time, duration and frequency the following is required:

- 1. Press and hold *Light* button for 5 seconds until clock hour is displayed (this time should already be programmed, press *Light* button two more times until FSxx is displayed where xx represents the hour to set the filter cycle.
- Press the Up +/Down button to adjust the clock time for the first filter cycle to start (on the hour only) a small dot . after FS indicates AM and a non small dot indicates PM.
- Press the Light button to store the cycle start time and move to Fdxx the duration of the filter cycle(s) where xx represents the length of filter cycle time in hours
- Press the *Up +/Down* button to adjust the duration (how long to run the filter cycle) from 0 = no filtration to 24 = continuous filtration. 0 is NOT recommended.

**NOTE:** The set duration will be the same time length for each frequency.

- 5. Press the *Light* button to store the duration and move to FFxx the frequency of the filter cycle(s) where xx represents the amount of times the filter cycle should come on.
- 6. Press the Up +/Down button to adjust the frequency (how many filter cycles within a 24 hour period). The amount of frequencies allowed will depend on how long the duration is set to since there are only 24 hours in a day (example: if the duration is set to 13 hours or more than only 1 frequency can be set, 9 12 hour duration only 2 frequencies can be set. In other words the duration times the frequency must be 24 or less.
- Wait 15 seconds to allow the exit timer to expire and store the setting.

## SETTING ECONOMY MODE

In Economy mode you are able to lower the set temperature of the spa by 20° F (11° C) during a certain period of day which is adjustable as well as the length of time. One of the main reasons you might want to enable this feature at night is to limit the amount of times the spa will automatically turn on either because of calling for heat or sampling the water for temperature.

**NOTE:** If the Economy Mode set time is enabled during a filter cycle, the filter cycle will NOT come on during the enabled time.

To enable the economy mode:

- Press and hold *Light* button for 5 seconds until clock hour is displayed, press *Light* button several more times until EPx is displayed, x representing the state of the mode (0=disabled, 1=enabled)
- Press the Up +/Down button to either enable or disable the economy mode.

- Press the Light button again to set the Econol F start time. The
  display will show ESxx where "xx" represents the hour at which
  the economy mode will become active. Press the Up +/Down button to set the hour you want the mode to be enabled.
  A dot after the ES represents AM.
  - **NOTE:** The time may be set, however, if Economy is disable 0, the Economy Mode feature will Not come on.
- 4. Press the Light button again to set the Economy Duration time. The display will show Edxx, "xx" representing how long (in hours) you want the economy mode to be ON. Use the Up/Down buttons to adjust the amount of hours.

## FAHRENHEIT/CELSIUS SETTING

To change water temperature display to either Fahrenheit or Celsius, press and hold *Light* button for 5 seconds until clock hour is displayed, press *Light* button several more times until F or C is displayed. Press the *Up/Down* button to change. Wait 15 seconds to allow the exit timer to expire and store the setting.

# DIAGNOSTIC LCD MESSAGE

Message	Meaning	Action Required
	No message on display.	The control panel will be disabled until power returns. Spa settings will
	Power has been cut off to the spa.	be preserved until next power up.
HL The system has shut the heater off because the temperature at the heater has reached 50°C (122°F). Do not enter the water!		DO NOT ENTER THE WATER. Remove the spa cover and allow the water to cool down, then shut power off and power your spa up again to reset the system. If spa does not reset, shut off the power to the spa and call your Hot Spring Dealer.
AOH	Temperature inside the equipment compartment is too high 90°C (194°F), causing the internal temperature in the control system to increase above normal limits.	Open equipment compartment and wait until error clears.
PRR	A problem is detected with the temperature probe.	Call your Hot Spring Dealer.
OH	The water temperature in the spa has reached 42°C (108°F). Do not enter the water!	Remove the spa cover and allow the water to cool down to a lower temperature. Call your Hot Spring Dealer if problem persists.
UPL	No low level configuration software has been installed into the system.	Call your Hot Spring Dealer.
FLO	No water flow is detected by the control system but flow is expected.	Make sure that the jet pump is running and water is flowing; check and clean filters; make sure water valves are open; make sure spa has a proper water level. If problem persists, call your Hot Spring Dealer.



### WARNING! SHOCK HAZARD! NO USER SERVICEABLE PARTS.

Do not attempt service of the control box. Contact Customer Service for assistance. Follow all owner manual power connection instructions. Installation must be performed by a licensed electrician and all grounding connections must be properly installed.

# **JET MENU**

# **RELAY** (MODEL RELE)



# **Jet Pump 1**

- A. 4 PRECISION Jets and 1 Standard Directional Jet
- B. 6 PRECISION Jets and 1 XL Directional Jet
- C. 1 XL Rotary Jet
- D. 1 Water feature.
- E. 6 PRECISION Jets
- F. 2 PRECISION Jets



# Jet Pump 2

- A. 2 **PRECISION** Jets, 2 Standard Rotary Jets and 1 XL Directional Jet
- B. 6 PRECISION Jets
- C. 2 **PRECISION** Jets, 2 Standard Directional Jets, 1 XL Directional jet and 1 XL Rotary Jet
- D. 2 PRECISION Jets

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# JET MENU RHYTHM (MODEL RHYE)



# **Jet Pump 1**

- A. 2 **PRECISION** Jets, 2 Standard Directional Jets, 1 XL Directional jet and 1 XL Rotary Jet
- B. 4 PRECISION Jets and 1 Standard Directional Jet
- C. 2 **PRECISION** Jets, 2 Standard Rotary Jets and 1 XL Directional Jet
- D. 1 Water feature.
- E. 2 PRECISION Jets



# Jet Pump 2

- A. 6 PRECISION Jets , 1 XL Directional Jet
- B. 6 PRECISION Jets
- C. 6 PRECISION Jets, 1 XL Rotary Jet
- D. 2 PRECISION Jets

# JET MENU PROPEL (MODEL PRPE)

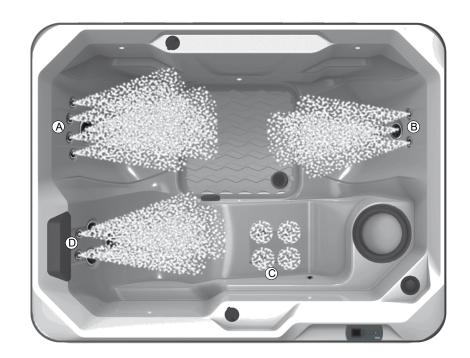


# **JET SYSTEM**

- A. 4 Precision Jets and 1 XL Directional Jet
- B. 3 Precision Jets
- C. 2 Precision Jets, 1 Standard Rotary Jet and 1 XL Directional Jet
- D. 4 Precision Jets in Lounge
- E. 1 Water Feature
- F. 2 Precision Jets, 2 Standard Directional Jets and 1 XL Directional Jet
- G. 1 Standard Rotary Jets
- H. 2 Precision Jets

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# JET MENU STRIDE (MODEL STDE)



# Jet System

- A. 6 PRECISION Jets, 1 XL Rotary Jet
- B. 2 PRECISION Jets and 1 Standard Directional Jet and 1 Standard Rotary Jet
- C. 4 PRECISION Jets
- D. 2 PRECISION Jets, 2 Standard Directional Jets and 1 XL Directional Jet

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# SPA CARE AND MAINTENANCE

Your **HOT SPRING** spa is manufactured from the highest quality, most durable materials available. Even so, the spa care and maintenance program you develop will ultimately determine how long your spa, and its individual components, will last. Regular maintenance and following the advice in this section will help you to protect your investment.

# DRAIN & REFILL INSTRUCTIONS

**IMPORTANT:** It is <u>NOT</u> recommended to refill your spa when the ambient temperature goes below 10° C (50° F).

- 1. Disconnect the spa from the power supply
- Locate the drain valve for the spa (lower front of the spa) and remove the drain cap. Attach the inlet of a garden hose to the drain valve (to avoid flooding of the foundation surrounding the spa) and route the outlet of the hose to an appropriate draining area. Spa water with a high sanitizer level may harm plants and grass.
- Open the drain valve by turning the knob. The spa will drain by gravitational flow.
  - **IMPORTANT:** All **HOT SPRING** spa models will drain through the floor drain, use vacuum side of shop vac to remove remaining water. Any water remaining within the plumbing or equipment after draining will only need to be removed if the spa is being winterized.
- When empty, inspect the spa shell and clean as required. (Follow the Care of the Exterior instructions.)
- 5. Close the drain valve and reinstall the drain cap.
- 6. Install new filter or clean existing with FRESHWATER filter cleaner.
- Refill the spa through the filter compartment using the CLEAN SCREEN pre-filter.
  - **IMPORTANT:** Refill water temperature must be between 10° 21°C (50° 70°F) to avoid high-limit tripping.
- 8. Follow the Quick Start-Up instructions in the Getting Started section.

### COLD WATER REFILL

Should it be necessary to drain and refill your spa in temperatures below 10°C (50°F), the spa may go into a High Limit Protection mode (causing your spa to stop functioning) if the tap water is below 10°C (50°F). Blending warm water with the cold tap water so it exceeds 10°C (50°F) during the refilling process will prevent the spa from going into the High Limit Protection mode if that is an option for you.

# PREVENTION OF FREEZING

Your spa has been designed and engineered for year-round use in any climate. In some areas, extremely cold temperatures below -12°C (10°F) combined with strong wind, may cause partial freezing of the jet pump, even though the water inside the spa remains at the selected temperature. The energy efficiency of the spa may also decrease during these cold periods, as the heater will cycle more frequently. As an additional precaution against partial freezing of some of the components, the equipment compartment can be insulated with an insulating kit (available from your local dealer). This insulating kit will also help to maximize the spa's energy efficiency.

**NOTE:** When warmer weather returns (approx. 15°-21°C (60°-70°F)), the insulating kit must be removed to prevent overheating of the jet pump.

### WINTERIZING YOUR SPA

If you leave the spa unused for a long period of time in severely cold weather, you should drain the spa and winterize it to avoid accidental freezing due to a power or equipment failure.

DANGER: Use only Propylene Glycol as your anti-freeze (available at most RV or marine supply stores). This is non-toxic. Never use an automobile anti-freeze (Ethylene Glycol) since it is toxic!

**WARNING**: Failure to follow these instructions correctly can lead to freeze damage not covered by warranty. It is strongly recommended that you contact your local dealer to perform this service

- Drain your spa following the Draining & Refill Instructions section.
   Open waterfall valve.
- Remove the filter cartridge, clean and store in a dry place.
   IMPORTANT: These additional instructions must be utilized when draining and winterizing your spa in climates where the temperature falls below 0°C (32°F). A combination (vacuum/ blower) wet/dry shop vac must be used to effectively remove water that is trapped inside the plumbing lines.
- Attach the vacuum hose to the vacuum side of the shop vac. Vacuum all openings and orifices as follows:
  - a. Jet openings: start with the jets at the top and move downward (if suction is coming from another jet, block off the other jet using a large rag this will help pull out the water that is trapped deeper inside the main line).
  - b. Filter suction fittings and filter compartment.
  - Floor drain outlet to ensure water is drawn completely from the internal plumbing system).
- 4. Thoroughly dry the spa shell with a clean towel.
- 5. Replace the main drain cap.
  - **CAUTION:** Use only Propylene Glycol as your anti-freeze. This is non-toxic. Never use an automobile anti-freeze (Ethylene Glycol) since it is toxic!
- Using a long-extension funnel, pour anti-freeze into all standpipes, filter suction fittings, jet orifices and water feature orifices. Add enough anti-freeze to ensure adequate protection – in many cases, you will see the liquid in the orifice, or coming out of another location.
- Close the spa cover and fasten the cover tie downs. Cover the spa cover with two pieces of plywood to evenly distribute the weight of snow and ice. Secure a plastic sheet, or tarp, over the spa cover and plywood.
- 8. Replace the equipment access door, if removed.

# **OPENING INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Remove plywood and plastic sheet. Open the spa cover by unfastening the cover tie downs.
- Follow the Start-up and Refill Procedures in the Operating Instructions section of the Owner's Manual. Do not install filters to prevent them from exposure to the anti-freeze.
- 3. As part of this process, superchlorinate the spa water by adding three teaspoons of chlorine (sodium dichlor) per 950 liters (250 gallons) of spa water into the filter compartment. This is twice the normal amount of chlorine needed for superclorination. This extra amount of chlorine is needed to destroy the anti-freeze.

**NOTE:** A defoamer may be needed to decrease the amount of foam caused by the anti-freeze.

- Drain your spa to ensure removal of anti-freeze. Do not drain water on grass or plants due to excessive chlorine level.
- After the spa has completely drained, re-install your filter and follow the Start-up and Refill Procedures in the Operating Instructions section of the Owner's Manual.

**IMPORTANT:** Always keep spa covered when not in use, whether it is empty or full.

# FILTER SYSTEM

**HOT SPRING** spas are equipped with one filter cartridge, sized to meet the needs of the jet pump system.

At least once a week, check and clean the skimmer basket and weir to ensure proper filter flow. Remove leaves, foreign matter, and debris. It is very important to keep your spa filter cartridge clean and free of particles to ensure proper water flow. A clean filter permits the hydrotherapy system to function properly and also allows more efficient filter cycles. Depending on how frequently your spa is used, we recommend cleaning the spa filter cartridge every four weeks. If this is not done, the filter may clog and restrict water flow, which causes improper filtration and poor jet performance.

**WARNING:** To reduce the risk of injury to persons using the spa, DO NOT remove the suction fittings (filter standpipes) located in the filter compartment and do not sit on the filter cover.

### SECONDARY SUCTION SCREEN

Located in the foot well of your spa are secondary suction screens. The screen is used as a filter to prevent dirt from circulating through the system.

**WARNING:** Do not use the spa with the suction screens removed.

# FILTER CARTRIDGES REMOVAL & CLEANING

 Disconnect the spa from the power supply by turning the power to the spa OFF.

- 2. Remove any floating items from within the filter compartment.
- 3. Turn the filter retainer handle (located on the top of the filter cartridge) counterclockwise until the retainer can be removed from the filter standpipe.
- 4. Remove the filter retainer, cover and cartridge



**SERVICE NOTE:** Never remove the filter standpipe when debris is present in the filter compartment. Debris may find its way into the internal plumbing

which may result in blockage. NEVER REMOVE SUCTION FITTINGS!

- 5. Always clean the filter using a filter degreaser, such as HOT SPRING FRESHWATER Filter Cleaner, to remove mineral and oil build-up. Simply soak the filter in the degreaser according to the package directions, then place the filter on a clean surface and spray until clean using a garden hose. It may be necessary to rotate the filter while spraying to remove any debris lodged between the filter pleats.
- To reinstall the filter cartridge, reverse the order of steps in which it was removed. Do not overtighten.

**WARNING:** Do not use the spa with the filter cartridges, or filter standpipe(s) removed!

# CARE OF THE SPA PILLOWS

The spa pillows will provide years of comfort if treated with care. They have been positioned above the water level to minimize the bleaching effects of chlorinated water, and other spa water chemicals. To extend their life, whenever the spa shell is being cleaned, the spa pillows should be removed and cleaned. Body oils can be removed with a mild soap and water solution. ALWAYS rinse off the spa pillows thoroughly to remove any soap residue. The pillows can be conditioned with **HOT SPRING** Cover Shield after cleaning. If the spa is not going to be used for a long period of time (that is during a vacation, or if the spa is winterized), or when the spa water is being super-chlorinated, the spa pillows should be removed until the next spa use.

### To remove and replace the spa pillows:

- 1. Carefully lift one end of the pillow away from the spa shell.
- Continue lifting one end until all pillow retainers are released from the pillow.
  - **IMPORTANT**: Just pulling the pillow straight up and out of the shell recess will eventually damage the pillow. This abuse is not covered under warranty.
- To reinstall the spa pillow, carefully bend the pillow slightly to allow one of the pillow retainers to slip into the recess in the back of the pillow.
- Keeping the pillow slightly bent, slide the other pillow retainer into the recess in the back of the pillow.
- 5. After all the pillow retainers are in place, press the pillow down into the recess in the spa shell.

# CARE OF THE EXTERIOR

### SPA SHELL

Your **HOT SPRING** spa has an acrylic shell. Stains and dirt generally will not adhere to your spa's surface. A soft rag or a nylon scrubber should easily remove most dirt. Most household chemicals are harmful to your spa's shell (see below for detailed information on cleaning agents). Always rinse off any spa shell cleaning agent with fresh water.

### IMPORTANT:

1. The following products are the ONLY approved cleaning agents for your HOT SPRING spa shell: plain water, HOT SPRING FRESHWATER Spa Shine, or Soft Scrub<sup>®</sup>. The use of alcohol or any other household cleaner other than those listed to clean the spa shell surface is NOT recommended. DO NOT use any cleaning products containing abrasives or solvents since they may damage the shell surface, specifically: Simple Green<sup>®</sup>, Windex<sup>®</sup> or Spa Mitt. NEVER USE HARSH CHEMICALS! Damage to the shell by use of harsh chemicals is not covered under the warranty. Always rinse off any spa shell cleaning agent with fresh water.

- Iron and copper in the water can stain the spa shell if allowed to go unchecked. Ask your HOT SPRING dealer about a Stain and Scale Inhibitor to use if your spa has a high concentration of dissolved minerals. (WATKINS WELLNESS recommends FRESHWATER Stain & Scale Defense.)
- Keep all cleaners out of the reach of children and use care when applying.

## CARE OF THE SPA CABINET

The simulated wood cabinet consists of a rigid polymer that combines the durability of plastic, with the beauty of wood.

Cleaning of simulated wood consists of simply spraying the cabinet with a mild soap and water solution to remove any stains and residue.

## CARE OF THE SPA COVER

**WARNING:** The cover is a manual safety cover that meets or exceeds all prevailing requirements of ASTM 1346-91 for spa safety covers when installed and used correctly as of the date of manufacture. Non-secured, or improperly secured covers are a hazard.

Open the cover to its fully open position before use.

### VINYL COVER

The vinyl spa cover is an attractive, durable foam insulation product. Monthly cleaning and conditioning are recommended to maintain its beauty.

### To clean and condition the vinyl cover:

- Remove the cover from the spa and gently lean it against a wall or fence
- With a garden hose, spray the cover to loosen and rinse away dirt or debris.
- 3. Using a large sponge and/or a soft bristle brush, and using a very mild soap solution (one teaspoon dishwashing liquid with 8 liters (2 gallons) of water), or baking soda (sodium bicarbonate), scrub the vinyl top in a circular motion. Do not let the vinyl dry with a soap film on it before it can be rinsed clean.
- 4. Scrub the cover's perimeter and side flaps. Rinse clean with water.
- Rinse off the underside of the cover with water only (use no soap), and wipe it clean with a dry rag.
- To condition the cover after cleaning, apply a thin film of HOT SPRING Cover Shield to the vinyl surface and buff to a high luster.

**IMPORTANT:** To remove tree sap, use cigarette lighter fluid (<u>not</u> charcoal lighter fluid). Use sparingly, and rinse with a saddle soap solution immediately afterwards, then wipe dry.

### DO:

- Remove snow buildup to avoid breakage of the foam core from the additional weight of the snow.
- · Lock cover lock straps to secure the cover when the spa is not in use.

## DON'T:

- Drag or lift the spa cover using either the flaps, or the cover lock straps.
- Walk, stand, or sit on the cover.
- Place any metal or heat transferring object on the cover or place any type of plastic tarp or drop cloth over the cover as this may result in a melted foam core, which would not be covered under the warranty.

 Use any lifting mechanisms, chemicals, or cleaners except those recommended by WATKINS WELLNESS, or its Authorized Sales and Service Dealer.

# **COVER LIFTER SYSTEM**

Clearance required behind cover when open:

CoverCradle® & CoverCradle II	UpRite <sup>®</sup>
61 cm (24")	18 cm (7")

## HOW TO OPEN THE VINYL COVER

**IMPORTANT:** Never attempt to open or remove the vinyl cover by grasping or pulling on the skirting or cover lock straps. The skirting will tear, and torn skirting is not covered under the terms of the warranty.

Check for ice build-up around the gas springs and pivot points of the retractable cover system. Ice buildup may damage system components.

**WARNING:** The vinyl cover and retractable cover system are not recommended for use in wind conditions reaching above 40 kmh (25 mph).

**IMPORTANT:** If your spa is located in an area susceptible to high winds, additional coverlock straps may be installed to minimize wind damage to the cover.

- With the cover lock straps unfastened, place one hand under the cover skirting, between the spa and cover, to break the cover's vacuum seal. Then, fold the front half of the cover over onto the back half.
- If no rear access is available, stand to the side of the spa directly adjacent to the hinge area of the folded cover.
  - a) For the COVERCRADLE retractable cover systems: Using both hands, cup one hand under the lower half of the cover (just above the water) and place the other along the side of the cover, just above the skirt. Gently push (do not lift) with both hands towards the opposite rear corner of the cover (diagonally). As the cover opens, the gas springs will allow the cover to come to a gentle stop.
  - b) For the UPRITE retractable cover system: Simply lift the cover at its center hinge, allowing it to move to the back of the spa and to rest gently there.

**IMPORTANT:** When opening a cover with a retractable cover system, only use one of these three specific methods. Do not attempt to open the cover in any other way. Damage caused by improper opening or closing of the cover is not covered under the terms of the limited warranty.

# HOW TO CLOSE THE COVER

- Standing along side the cover, place one hand on the upper corner
  of the cover and gently push forward in the direction of the spa. The
  cover will rotate forward to cover half of the spa.

  IMPORTANT: For the UPRITE retractable cover system, disengage
  the locking mechanism(s) before pushing the cover forward.
- Unfold the cover by lifting the handle located on the top (front) half of the cover. Allow the unfolded half to fall down onto the spa. The air pressure created by the cover falling will keep the vinyl skirting from being trapped between the cover and the spa shell.

# **ELECTRICAL REQUIREMENTS**

**IMPORTANT:** Fill the spa with water before turning on the power.

Your **HOT SPRING** spa has been carefully designed to give you maximum safety against electrical shock. Connecting the spa to an improperly wired circuit will negate many of the spa's safety features. Improper wiring may also cause electrocution, risk of fire, and other risks of injuries. Please read and follow the electrical installation requirements and instructions for your spa completely!

#### DANGER. RISK OF INJURY.

- · Never leave a spa uncovered or unattended.
- · Never leave a spa cover unlocked.
- · Do not stand, sit, or lie on the cover.

HOT SPRING SPAS MUST BE WIRED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE NATIONAL AND LOCAL ELECTRICAL CODES. ALL ELECTRICAL WORK SHOULD BE DONE BY AN EXPERIENCED, LICENSED ELECTRICIAN. WE RECOMMEND THE USE OF APPROPRIATE ELECTRICAL CONDUIT, FITTINGS, AND WIRE FOR ALL CIRCUITS.

The **RELAY**, **RHYTHM**, **PROPEL & STRIDE** spas require a 16 amp, single phase, 240 volt, three wire service (one line, one neutral, one ground). Additionally, one main disconnect switch with at least 3 mm separation between contacts must be used for all electrical circuits to the spa.

**NOTE:** An Authorized **HOT SPRING** Spa Technician must reconfigure spa using the low level settings to allow the heater to run concurrent with jet pump.

Mount the subpanel according to local codes, but not closer than 1.5 meters (5 feet) away.

# CONDUIT INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

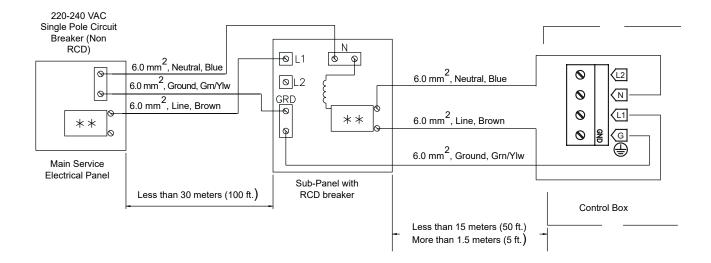
- 1. To connect the electrical service, first remove the screws from the equipment compartment door. Carefully pull the door panel down and away in order to remove it completely from the spa.
- Locate the control box. Loosen the screws on the front of the control box. Remove the screws and the control box cover.
- 3. Route the electrical conduit through the access opening of the spa.
- Connect the supply conduit to the control box and connect the wiring as detailed on the next page, or on the wiring diagram label on the inside of the control box cover.
- WARNING: Your spa must be supplied by a residual current device (RCD) - with a tripping rating not exceeding 30 mA in an electrical subpanel.

Removing or bypassing any RCD breakers will result in an unsafe spa and will void the spa's warranty.

**IMPORTANT**: Should you ever find the need to move or relocate your **HOT SPRING** spa, it is essential that you understand and apply these installation requirements. Your **HOT SPRING** spa has been carefully engineered to provide maximum safety against electric shock. Remember, connecting the spa to an improperly wired circuit will negate many of its safety features.

**NOTE**: Long wiring runs may require larger-gauge wire than stated.

# 230 VOLT 50HZ SUBPANEL WIRING



# **INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS**

## SITE PREPARATION

You probably have a spot picked out for your new spa, whether it's indoors or outdoors, on a patio or on a deck. Just make sure you check the following:

- Always put your spa on a structurally sound, level surface. A filled spa can
  weigh a great deal. Make certain that the location you choose can support
  the weight.
- Don't forget to level your spa before filling it. (See Spa Leveling Preparation.)
- Be sure to locate your equipment compartment, which houses all of the
  electrical components, in a place where water drainage will be away from
  it. Allowing water into the equipment compartment can cause damage
  to the electronics, or may result in tripping the circuit breaker on your
  house's electrical panel.
- · Leave yourself easy access to the circuit breakers.
- Leave access to the equipment compartment for periodic spa care and maintenance

# OUTDOOR AND PATIO INSTALLATION

No matter where you put your new spa, it's important that it has a solid foundation to support it. In fact, structural damage to the spa, resulting from incorrect installation, or placement on an inadequate foundation, is not covered under the spa's limited warranty.

If you install the spa outdoors, we recommend a reinforced concrete pad at least ten centimeters (four inches) thick. The reinforcing rod or mesh in the pad should be attached to a 6 mm² bonding wire per national electrical codes (contact your local electrical code compliance inspector for more information; inspection for proper grounding may be required before pouring concrete to form the slab).

If you place the spa on the ground, even temporarily, place stepping stones under the leveling areas (see Spa Leveling Instructions). The stones should be at least 5 cm (2") thick and 30 cm (12") square. Even with stones in place, the spa will inevitably settle and become unlevel. Plus, a spa surrounded by dirt or grass will soon be filled with dirt or grass from users' feet. So get it onto a solid foundation as soon as possible

## DECK INSTALLATION

To be certain your deck can support your spa, you must know the deck's maximum load capacity. Consult a qualified building contractor or structural engineer. To find the weight of your spa, its contents and occupants, refer to the Spa Specification chart. This weight per square meter must not exceed the structure's rated capacity, or serious structural damage could result.

**CAUTION: WATKINS WELLNESS** suggests a structural engineer or contractor be consulted before the spa is placed on an elevated deck.

# INDOOR/BASEMENT INSTALLATION

Be aware of some special requirements if you place your spa indoors. Water will accumulate around the spa, so flooring materials must provide a good grip when wet. Proper drainage is essential to prevent

a build-up of water around the spa. When building a new room for the spa it is recommended that a floor drain be installed. The humidity will naturally increase with the spa installed. Water may get into woodwork and produce dry rot, mildew, or other problems. Check for airborne moisture's effects on exposed wood, paper, etc. in the room. To minimize these effects, it is best to provide plenty of ventilation to the spa area. An architect can help to determine if more ventilation must be installed.

**HOT SPRING** spas are equipped with a vent to remove excessive heat from the equipment compartment. Find this vent (its under the bottom front left or right corner) and be sure the vent is not blocked by anything, including carpeting.

Your **HOT SPRING** dealer can help you with local information such as zoning regulations and building codes. They can also give you a copy of our planning guide.

**CAUTION**: Do not install the spa on a heated floor.

▲ WARNING: Please keep the area around your spa well ventilated when it is installed indoors or in a confined area. Inadequate ventilation around the spa could cause a build-up of a higher-thannormal concentration of spa chemicals and/or bacterial fragments. These dispersed spa chemicals and/or bacterial fragments can be inhaled, and may result in breathing difficulties or lung damage in certain people suffering from a compromised immune system or respiratory infection. If you or other bathers are affected by this condition, please seek medical attention as soon as possible.

In addition to the above, properly clean and maintain your spa as follows:

- Follow all procedures in this owner's manual and printed instructions on all water care (chemical) products packaging.
- Test the water regularly to ensure proper levels of sanitizers, pH, and other water care requirements.
- Drain, clean, and refill your spa with fresh water on a regular schedule, and in accordance with this owner's manual.
- Clean the filter(s) at least once per month.
- Check to make sure you have proper circulation throughout your spa water system.
- · Have spa users bathe before entering the spa water.

# SPA LEVELING PREPARATION

Concrete sloped at 1.5 cm (.5") per 3 m (10') is preferred so that rain water and water spillover will run off and not puddle underneath the spa (water under the

1.5 cm (.5")

Slope 1.5 cm (5") per 3 m (10')for proper drainage.

spa for long periods of time may cause the wood to deteriorate). Other options are brick, stepping stone, or blocks.

Stepping stones or brick may settle causing the spa to be unlevel.

It is important to note that soft surfaces, even when stepping stones are used to evenly distribute

the weight of the spa, will have a tendency to settle, thus resulting in an unleveled spa.

**NOTE:** Placing the spa on grass or dirt may increase the amount of debris which is inadvertently brought into the spa water and may cause harm to your equipment as well as the spa surface, which is not covered under warranty.

## DELIVERY ACCESS

First, locate the dimensions of your spa on the following chart. The dimensions shown are the measurements of the spa in the vertical position, laid on its side.

Model	W	L	Н
RELAY (RELE)	92 cm (36")	213 cm (84")	213 cm (84")
RHYTHM (RHYE)	92 cm (36")	213 cm (84")	213 cm (84")
PROPEL (PRPE)	84 cm (33")	208 cm (82")	208 cm (82")
STRIDE (STDE)	74 cm (29")	213 cm (84")	165 cm (65")

Next, contact your dealer to find the height and width added by the delivery cart which the dealer will use to deliver your new spa. Use the height of the cart plus the dimension shown as H to determine the vertical clearance required to pass the spa and cart. Use the width of the cart, or dimension W, whichever is greater, to determine the maximum width of clearance necessary.

**NOTE:** It may be necessary to allow for additional over-head clearance if the spa will be rolled up or down an incline or moved up or down a short flight of stairs.

Use the information above to determine the requirements for access to your desired location.

It may be necessary to remove a gate, part of a fence, or other movable obstructions in order to roll the spa

If the spa has to be taken off the cart to go over a wall (either because the entry area is too narrow, the eaves are too low, the corner is too tight, or the stairway is too steep), a crane will be required. This is a common practice.

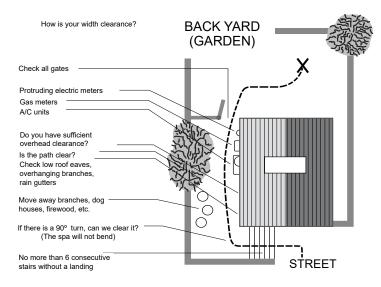
to its installation site.

The crane has a truckmounted boom which can fit right in your

driveway. It must be run by a licensed

and insured operator. For a charge, the crane operator will lift your spa over walls, buildings, or any other obstruction and place it as close to the installation site as possible. Crane delivery typically takes an average of 60 minutes to complete.

**NOTE:** If your spa delivery requires the use of a crane, you may be required to pay for its services at the completion of the delivery.



## GROUND PREPARATION

Your **HOT SPRING** spa has been engineered to perform on several kinds of surfaces. While a concrete slab is best for long-term use\*, other foundations are acceptable so long as a level base is prepared prior to delivery.

\*NOTE: A reinforced concrete pad at least four inches thick or a deck that is able to withstand more than 586 kg/m² is recommended for the RELAY spas, 610 kg/m² is recommended for the RHYTHM spa, 505 kg/m² is recommended for the PROPEL spa.

### **INSTALLATION NOTES:**

If you are purchasing a deck package or a gazebo with your spa, a solid foundation becomes mandatory. Placing them on any surface other than a single level pad could create problems with their installation. Pictured at right are a few of the recommended surfaces.

As a homeowner, it is your responsibility to provide a suitable, level foundation for your spa. Keep in mind that most delivery crews are not equipped to level and prepare spa sites.

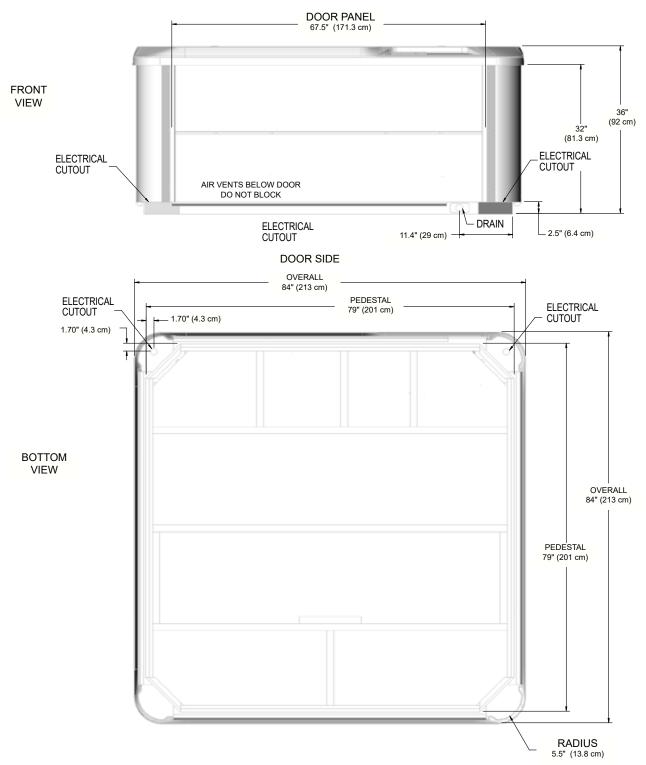
If you are interested in having a concrete slab, brick surface, or wood deck installed, your **HOT SPRING** dealer should be able to suggest a qualified, licensed contractor.

**NOTE:** In order for the spa to operate properly and the internal plumbing to drain completely, you must ensure that the spa is level after it has been installed. Your **HOT SPRING** spa delivery crew can help you perform the procedure.

# RELAY / RHYTHM (MODEL RELE / RHYE)

## **Dimensions**

NOTE: All dimensions are approximate; measure your spa before making critical design or pathway decisions.



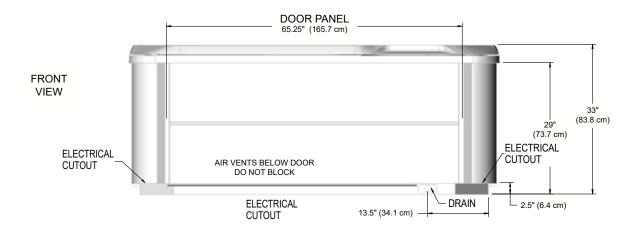
**NOTE: WATKINS WELLNESS** recommends that the **RELAY & RHYTHM** be installed on a minimum 10 cm (4") thick reinforced concrete pad or structurally sound deck able to support the "dead weight" found in the spa specification chart.

WARNING: The RELAY & RHYTHM must not be shimmed in any manner.

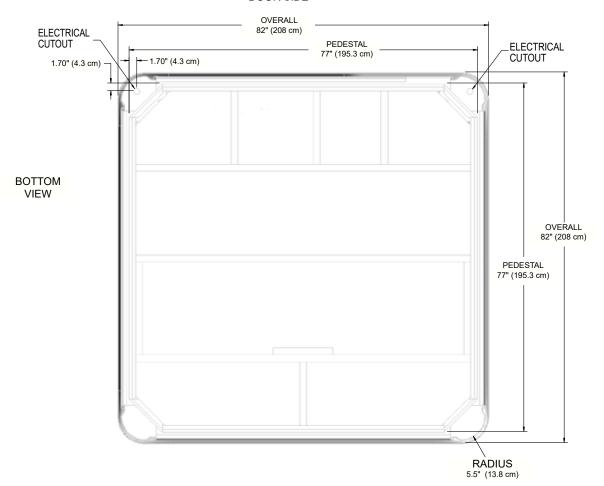
# PROPEL (MODEL PRPE)

## **Dimensions**

NOTE: All dimensions are approximate; measure your spa before making critical design or pathway decisions.



#### DOOR SIDE



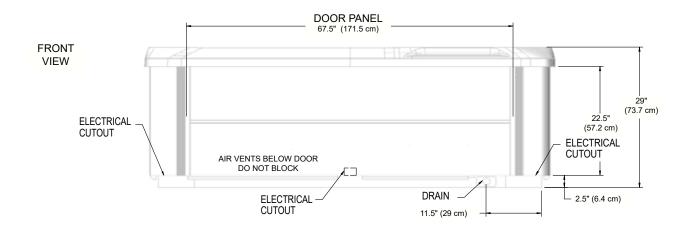
**NOTE: WATKINS WELLNESS** recommends that the **PROPEL** be installed on a minimum 10 cm (4") thick reinforced concrete pad or structurally sound deck able to support the "dead weight" found in the spa specification chart.

WARNING: The PROPEL must not be shimmed in any manner.

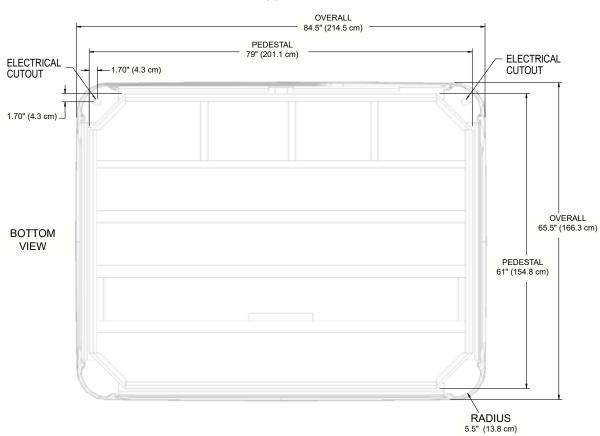
# **STRIDE** (MODEL STDE)

## **Dimensions**

NOTE: All dimensions are approximate; measure your spa before making critical design or pathway decisions.



### DOOR SIDE



**NOTE: WATKINS WELLNESS** recommends that the **STRIDE** be installed on a minimum 10 cm (4") thick reinforced concrete pad or structurally sound deck able to support the "dead weight" found in the spa specification chart.

WARNING: The STRIDE must not be shimmed in any manner.

# SERVICE INFORMATION

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Your **HOT SPRING** spa has been designed to provide years of trouble-free use. As with any appliance, problems may occasionally occur that require the expertise of a qualified service person. Though such simple repairs as resetting a RCD switch or breaker, high limit thermostat, or pressure switch, or replacing a light bulb may not require a service call, they may indicate that a more serious condition exists. These conditions may require an experienced service person. Before calling for service, please refer to the Troubleshooting Guide.

**NOTE:** Always retain your original sales receipt for future reference.

# RCD AND HIGH LIMIT THERMOSTAT

If your spa fails to operate at any time, the following items should be checked:

- 1. Check the power supply to the spa.
- Check the RCD and see if it has tripped. If a RCD has tripped, reset
  it. If it will not reset, this may be an indication of a ground fault (short
  circuit) within the electrical components. Contact an Authorized Service
  Technician for a complete diagnosis.
- 3. If, upon checking the RCD you find it has not tripped, check the house breaker panel and ensure the main breaker for the electrical circuit supplying the spa has not tripped. If it has, this is an indication that either the circuit was overloaded or a ground fault exists between the breaker panel and the spa receptacle. Contact a qualified electrician.
- 4. If, upon checking the main house breaker, you find no failures, the heater high-limit thermostat should be checked. Tripping of the heater high-limit thermostat is normally a result of one or a combination of any of these problems: 1) blockage within the system plumbing, 2) switch malfunction in the heater circuit, or 3) the low speed mode of the jet pump is not functioning.
- 5. If the heater high-limit has tripped, the control panel display will display HL, disconnect power to the spa for at least thirty seconds. If the heater high-limit continues to trip, contact an Authorized Service Technician for a complete diagnosis.

If the spa does not function and the RCD or RCD breaker and heater high-limit have not tripped, then the problem should be referred to an Authorized Service Technician. Refer to the Troubleshooting Guide for additional service information.

# MISCELLANEOUS SERVICE INFORMATION

The jet pump is equipped with an overload cut-off switch, which is designed to protect the pump from overheating. If the pump shuts itself off in a new spa, it is usually the result of one, or a combination of, the following factors:

**High Temperature:** During the summer months, especially in warmer climates, the ambient temperature contributes to excessively high temperatures within the equipment compartment.

**Improper House Wiring:** If the spa is not connected to a dedicated circuit, or is connected to an extension cord, or the house wiring is undersized, the pump may starve for voltage and therefore may draw more amperage and generate excessive heat. This will often cause the circuit breaker to trip repeatedly.

#### IMPORTANT:

- 1. If the pump is shutting down due to excessive heat, make sure the equipment compartment has adequate ventilation. The air gap at the bottom and the jet pump vent at the bottom left corner must not be blocked. Should your jet pump continue to shut off after short periods of use, contact a qualified service technician.
- The HOT SPRING spa is equipped with a safety suction spring valve which will break the prime of the jet pump if both suction fittings are obstructed

## ACTS INVALIDATING WARRANTY

The limited warranty is void if the HOT SPRING spa has been subjected to alteration, misuse or abuse, or if any repairs on the spa are attempted by anyone other than an authorized representative of WATKINS **WELLNESS**. Alteration is defined as any component or plumbing change, electrical conversion, or the addition of any non-approved sanitation, or water purification device, or heating system which contributes to a component failure, unit failure, or unsafe operating condition. Misuse and abuse shall include any operation of the spa other than in accordance with WATKINS WELLNESS printed instructions, or use of the spa in an application for which it is not designed; specifically: use of the spa in a non-residential application; damage caused by operation\* of the spa at water temperatures outside the range of 2°C and 49°C (35°F and 120°F); damage caused by a dirty, clogged, or calcified filter cartridge; damage to the spa surface caused by the use of Tri-Chloro Chlorine, BCDMH, chemical tablets in a floater, acid, or any other spa chemicals, or spa surface cleaners which are not recommended by WATKINS WELLNESS; damage caused by allowing undissolved spa sanitizing chemicals to lie on the spa surface (no spa surface material can withstand this kind of abuse); damage to components or spa surface caused by improper water chemistry maintenance; and damage to the spa surface caused by leaving the spa uncovered while empty of water and in direct exposure to sunlight (this may cause solar heating distress in warm weather regions). These are considered abuses and may invalidate this warranty.

\*Operation of the spa **DOES NOT** mean "use" of the spa! **WATKINS WELLNESS** does not recommend using the spa if the water temperature is above or below the spa's control panel temperature range.

### DISCLAIMERS

WATKINS WELLNESS shall not be liable for loss of use of the HOT SPRING spa or other incidental or consequential costs, expenses, or damages, which may include but are not limited to, the removal of a permanent deck or other custom fixture. Any implied warranty shall have a duration equal to the duration of the applicable warranty stated above. Under no circumstances shall WATKINS WELLNESS, or any of its representatives, be held liable for injury to any person, or damage to any property, however arising.

# **CUSTOMER SERVICE**

If you have any questions about any aspect of your **HOT SPRING** spa set-up, operation, or maintenance that have not been answered by this manual, consult your **HOT SPRING** Spa Dealer.

# **TROUBLESHOOTING**

Should you experience any problem, do not hesitate to contact your authorized **HOT SPRING** dealer. Here are some tips to help you to diagnose and rectify some more common sources of trouble yourself, if you choose to do so.

GENERAL OPERATION TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE					
Problem	Probable causes	Solutions			
Entire spa is inoperative	Power failure     GFCI tripped	Check power source     Reset GFCI; call for service if it will not reset			
HL Message	The system has shut the heater off because the temperature at the heater has reached 50°C (122°F). Do not enter the water!	DO NOT ENTER THE WATER. Remove the spa cover and allow the water to cool down, then shut power off and power your spa up again to reset the system. If spa does not reset, shut off the power to the spa and call your HotSpring Dealer.			
AOH Message	Temperature inside the equipment compartment is too high 90°C 1(94°F), causing the internal temperature in the control system to increase above normal limits.	Open equipment compartment and wait until error clears.			
PRR Message	A problem is detected with the temperature probe.	Contact an Authorized Service Technician			
OH Message	The water temperature in the spa has reached 42°C (108°F). Do not enter the water!	Remove the spa cover and allow the water to cool down to a lower temperature. Contact an Authorized Service Technician if problem persists.			
UPL Message	No low level configuration software has been installed into the system.	Contact an Authorized Service Technician			
FLO Message	No water flow is detected by the control system but flow is expected.	Make sure that the jet pump is running and water is flowing; check and clean filters; make sure water valves are open; make sure spa has a proper water level. If problem persists, call your HotSpring Dealer.			
Jets weak or surging	Spa water level too low     Filter clogged / suction screens clogged     Jet nozzles closed / Air valve closed	Add water     Clean filters / Clean suction screens     Open jet nozzles / Open air valve			
Light inoperative	Bad connection	Contact an Authorized Service Technician			
After filling or refilling the spa: a jet pump is operating, but water is not flowing from any of its jets.	Pump is not properly primed.	Turn off power to the spa at the breaker and remove the equipment compartment door.  Loosen the union on the top of the pump(s) (as seen on page 8) to allow the air to escape, the hand-tighten the union(s).  Turn power back on, activate the pump and check to make sure union is tight enough to keep it from leaking. Re-install pump and equipment doors.  OR:  Remove and reinstall the FROG cap.			

SPA WATER MAINTENANCE TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE					
Problem	Probable causes	Solutions			
Cloudy Water	Dirty filters  Excessive oils / organic matter  Improper sanitization  Suspended particles / organic matter  Overused or old water	Clean filters Shock spa with sanitizer Add sanitizer Adjust pH and/or alkalinity to recommended range Run jet pump(s) and clean filters Drain and refill the spa			
Water Odor	Excessive organics in water     Improper sanitization     Low pH	Shock spa with sanitizer     Add sanitizer     Adjust pH to recommended range			
Chlorine Odor	Chloramine level too high     Low pH	Shock spa with sanitizer     Adjust pH to recommended range			
Musty Odor	Bacteria or algae growth	Shock spa with sanitizer–if problem is visible or persistent, drain, clean and refill the spa			
Organic buildup / scum ring around spa	Build-up of oils and dirt	Wipe off scum with clean rag – if severe, drain the spa, use a spa surface and tile cleaner to remove the scum, and refill the spa			
Algae Growth	High pH     Low sanitizer level	Shock spa with sanitizer and adjust pH     Shock spa with sanitizer and maintain sanitizer level			
Eye Irritation	Low pH     Low sanitizer level	Adjust pH     Shock spa with sanitizer and maintain sanitizer level			
Skin Irritation / Rash	Unsanitary water     Free chlorine level above 5 ppm	Shock spa with sanitizer and maintain sanitizer level     Allow free chlorine level to drop below 5 ppm before spa use			
Stains	Total alkalinity and/or pH too low High iron or copper in source water	Adjust total alkalinity and/or pH     Use a metal deposit inhibitor			
Scale	High calcium content in water – total alkalinity and pH too high	Adjust total alkalinity and pH – if scale requires removal, drain the spa, scrub off the scale, refill the spa and balance the water			

# SPA SPECIFICATIONS

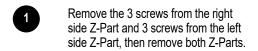
Spa Model	Footprint Dimension	Height	Effective Filter Area	Heater (Watts)	Water Capacity	Dry Weight	Filled Weight*	Dead Weight*	Electrical Requirements
RELAY (Model RELE) Seats 6 Adults	2.13 m x 2.13 m 7'0" x 7'0"	92 cm 36"	6.0 m²	2,000	1,290 liters 340 gallons	375 kg 830 lbs	2,140 kg 4,715 lbs	590 kg/m² 120 lbs/ ft²	240 volt, 16 amp Single phase RCD protected circuit
RHYTHM (Model RHYE) Seats 7 Adults	2.13 m x 2.13 m 7'0" x 7'0"	92 cm 36"	6.0 m²	2,000	1,250 liters 330 gallons	383 kg 845 lbs	2,185 kg 4,820 lbs	610 kg/m² 125 lbs/ ft²	240 volt, 16 amp Single phase RCD protected circuit
PROPEL (Model PRPE) Seats 5 Adults	2.08 m x 2.08 m 6'10" x 6'10"	84 cm 33"	3.0 m²	2,000	1,135 liters 300 gallons	350 kg 775 lbs	1,880 kg 4,150 lbs	565 kg/m² 115 lbs/ ft²	240 volt, 16 amp Single phase RCD protected circuit
STRIDE (Model STD) Seats 3 Adults	2.13 m x 1.65 m 7' x 5'5"	74 cm 29"	3.0 m²	2,000	850 liters 225 gallons	260 kg 570 lbs	1,350 kg 2,975 lbs	490 kg/m² 100 lbs/ ft²	240 volt, 16 amp Single phase RCD protected circuit

WARNING: WATKINS WELLNESS suggests a structural engineer or contractor be consulted before the spa is placed on an elevated deck.

Please note: Due to our manufacturing processes, spa size tolerances or dimensions may vary by 1.25 cm or .5"

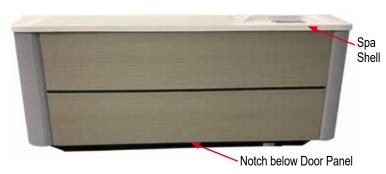
<sup>\*</sup> IMPORTANT: The "Filled weight" and "Dead weight" of the spa includes the weight of the occupants (assuming an average occupant weight of 80 kg [175lbs]).

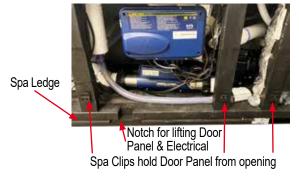
# DOOR PANEL REMOVAL





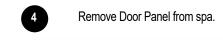
Find the notch below Door Panel, using one hand raise Door Panel under the Spa Shell while pulling bottom away from Spa Ledge.







Gently lower Door Panel onto the ground. Grab the top of Door Panel with both hands and lift.







# DOOR PANEL REPLACEMENT

- Raise Door Panel making sure it goes up behind Spa Shell then lower to rest on Spa Ledge making sure the Door Panel Clips are behind the Spa Clips and the Door Panel has the same spacing on each side.
- Place the right Z-Part in place and fasten with 3 screws.

Place the left Z-Part in place and fasten with 3 screws.

This manual contains installation, operating, maintenance and service information for the following 2022 HOT SPRING Spa models:

RELAY (MODEL RELE)
RHYTHM (MODEL RHYE)
PROPEL (MODEL PRPE)
STRIDE (MODEL STDE)

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