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# **Upflow Carbon Installation & Start-Up Guide**

Thank you for purchasing a Clean Water System! With proper installation and a little routine maintenance your system will be providing treated water for many years.

CARBON MEDIA CONTAINS DUST. USE PAPER MASK AND VENTILATE TO AVOID BREATHING DUST



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#### **PACKING LIST:**

#### **Carbon Upflow 1.5 Cubic Foot:**

Your new 1.5 Cubic Foot Upflow Carbon filter includes:

1 - 1 cu. Ft. Bag

1 - .5 cu. Ft. Bag

1 box of gravel, 16 lbs.

#### Carbon Upflow, 2.0 Cubic Foot

Your new 2.0 Cubic Foot Upflow Carbon filter includes:

2 – 1 cu. Ft. Bags

1 box of gravel, 16 lbs.

#### **Carbon Upflow 2.5 Cubic Foot:**

Your new 1.5 Cubic Foot Upflow Carbon filter includes:

1 - 1 cu. Ft. Bag

1 - .5 cu. Ft. Bag

1 box of gravel, 16 lbs.

#### What to Do if Your Tank is Not Level

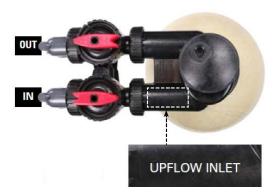
Your black filter tank base is not glued to the bottom of your tank. Occasionally tank bases will become crooked during shipment. If you find that that your tank does not sit level on the floor, you can easily adjust it by holding the empty tank and gently knocking the base on a concrete or solid floor once or twice to level it.

#### **Pre-Installation**

- 1. Review your packing list and make sure you have received all the parts before beginning installation.
- 2. If you are going to be turning off the water to the house and you have an electric water heater, shut off the power to the water heater before beginning installation.
- 3. Pick a suitable location for your filter system on a dry level spot where it won't be exposed to freezing temperatures. A minimum of 20 PSI is required. Maximum pressure is 90 PSI.
- 4. Get all of your plumbing parts together before beginning installation. Installation typically takes 3 to 5 hours. Once completed and pressure tested you will want to run the water in your home for 15 20 minutes to clear out any fines from the new medium.
- 5. After the system is installed and running, your water may be discolored or full of sediment or rust, particularly if this is older or corroded piping. This typically clears up over a day or two.

### **Best Practices for Piping & Drain Installation**

If you are setting up your filter to be an Upflow filter, connect the IN pipe to the Upflow Inlet (on the right side when facing the pipe connectors), and then connect the Out pipe to the Downflow Inlet (diagram below). The water should flow down the distributor tube and up through the filter media. The arrows can be removed and re-inserted to be in the correct direction if needed.

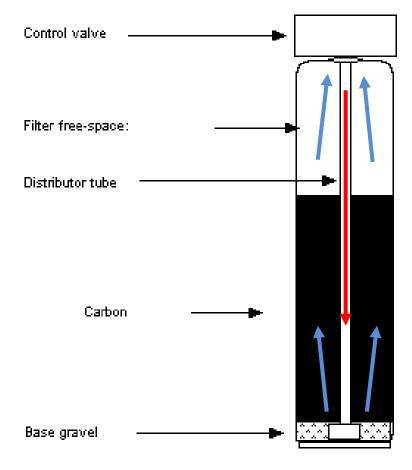


- 2. Make sure there is a working gate or ball valve before the Upflow Carbon filter and also one after. Pressure gauges are optional and perhaps not necessary but a hose bib (which is a faucet that you can attach a garden hose to) is strongly recommended after the carbon filter and before the second ball valve. This makes it easy to rinse your new filter on start-up and gives you a place to test the water before it enters your household plumbing.
- 3. If you will be using copper piping, do not sweat the copper pipe directly on to the filter. Avoid heating the plastic.

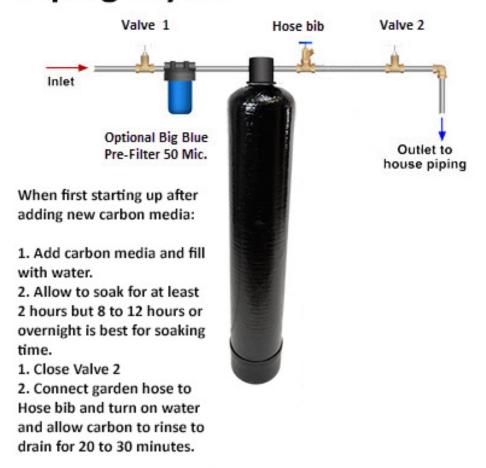
## **How Your Carbon Filter UpFlow Works:**

See Fig 1. In your Carbon Filter water enters the top of the tank and flows down through the distributor tube and up through the carbon media.

Figure 1 - Upflow Carbon tank diagram



# Upflow Carbon Filter Piping Layout



## **Assembly and Installation Instructions**

1. Place the distributor tube in the tank if not already inside. If not already done, make sure the blue cap is on top of the distributor tube, or wrap the top of distributor tube with electrical or duct tape. You do not want any carbon to go down the distributor tube, this is very important!



- 2. Next add the gravel first and then the carbon media.
- 3. Remove cap or tape from the top of the distributor tube.
- 4. If possible, at this point, fill the tank completely with water. This will allow the carbon media to settle and eliminate the need of "purging" the air out of the tank later.



- 5. Allow carbon to soak for at least 2 hours but its better to let it soak for 12 to 24 hours to purge any trapped gasses.
- 6. Attach optional plastic top screen to the under-side of the in-out head. It is a funnel-shaped plastic screen that snaps on to the control valve and prevents media from escaping from the carbon filter.
- 7. Connect the **IN** pipe to the **Upflow Inlet** (on the right side when facing the pipe connectors), and then connect the **Out** pipe to the **Downflow Inlet**.
- 8. Put system on bypass, and the valve after the filter closed, open the hose bib tap after the carbon filter and allow water to run for a couple of minutes to flush out piping materials
- 9. Now take the Carbon filter off bypass. With the valve after the filter closed, allow the up-flow carbon to flush for 10 to 20 minutes through the hose bib. This is necessary to flush out carbon fines and dust. The water will be discolored to be black in color at first.

#### **Maintenance**

Make sure to occasionally monitor the chlorine residual after the carbon filter, there should be very little to no chlorine coming out of the carbon filter. After 1 to 3 years (depending on usage), or when you start to detect a chlorine residual in the water after the carbon filter, replace the carbon media with new carbon.

#### **Need Assistance?**

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## **Water Filters Limited Warranty**

We warrant this water filter/ softener/ conditioner, when installed according to factory recommendations, to be free from defects in materials and workmanship as follows:

-----Limited Warranty-----

This water conditioner unit is comprised of the finest industry components available. Each individual component used in the assembly of our equipment is covered by the original equipment manufacturer's warranty. All components, except those specifically listed below, are warranted for a period of one (1) year from date of installation to the original purchaser to be free of defects in materials and workmanship subject to the manufacturer's conditions and/or the conditions shown below.

-----Mineral Tanks-----

The fiberglass, polyglass or composite mineral tanks used in the assembly of this unit are warranted to be free of defects in materials and workmanship for a period of ten (10) years on 6'' - 13'' size tanks, and five (5) years on 14'' and larger size tanks used for softener/filtration applications, subject to the manufacture's conditions and/or the conditions shown below. Warranty does not cover exposure to weather, freezing, fractures caused by external impact, or exposure to vacuum.

-----Control Valves-----

The CWS control valve is warranted to be free of defects in materials and workmanship for a period or seven (7) years, subject to the manufacturer's conditions and/or the conditions shown below. Fleck & other brand control valves have 5-year warranty.

-----Conditions-----

- 1. This warranty only covers water conditioners installed for residential use. Water conditioners installed for commercial or industrial applications are guaranteed for one (1) year from the date of installation.
- 2. Installation must be made in accordance with legal or local codes and manufacturer's recommendations.
- 3. Failure must not result from exposure to weather, rodents, misuse, alteration, fire, lightning, power surges or neglect.
- 4. Water pressure must not exceed 100 PSI and water temperature must not exceed 100 degrees.
- Subject to the above terms and conditions we will replace and/or repair, at our option, any parts of the water conditioner found defective in materials and workmanship. Defective parts must be returned, freight pre-paid for repair or replacement.
- This warranty does not cover labor, shipping charges, damages caused by delays of consequential damages or other causes beyond our control. Warranty does not cover pipes, fixtures or appliances. Warranty extends to the actual water conditioner components only.
- 7. This warranty is to the original purchaser and is not transferable after the third year to any subsequent owner(s).
- 8. No other guarantees or warranty, expressed or implied, is applicable to our product. No repair or replacement made under the terms of the warranty shall extend this warranty.