



Mega MaxCap[®] (manual flush)
Single (90 gpd) or Dual (180 gpd) Membrane Models

Reverse Osmosis/Deionization Water Purification Systems



INSTALLATION AND OPERATING MANUAL

WARNING

Please read carefully before proceeding with installation. Failure to follow any attached instructions or operating parameters may lead to the product's failure and possible damage to property.

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This Mega MaxCap™ RO/DI System comes complete with:

- Ultra-high rejection SpectraSelectPlus™ TFC Membrane (2 membranes in 180GPD system)
- 0.5 micron High-Performance Sediment prefilter
- High-capacity 0.5 micron Carbon Block prefilter eliminates chlorine, herbicides and other organic pollutants
- Newly-designed Mega MaxCap™ DI Cartridge (DI-MMC-10) with greatly improved removal capacity
- New Enduro DI™ Finishing Cartridge (DI-MB-ENDI-10)
- Two dual-probe TDS Meters to monitor performance at every stage of production
- 2:1 waste-to-product ratio produces 50% less waste water (3:1 for hard water areas)
- Manual Flush Valve for longer membrane life
- Automatic Shutoff Valve saves water
- Inline feedwater Ball Valve for manual system shutoff
- Float Valve for filling a reservoir
- Built-in pressure gauge indicates when to change prefilters
- Durable, no rust mounting bracket and clear filter housings
- 6 feet of feed, product and waste tubing included
- Housing wrench for easy filter removal
- Garden hose adapter for feed water hookup
- 3-year warranty



Warning: SpectraPure does not recommend drinking deionized water.

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SYSTEM SPECIFICATIONS:

Sediment Prefilter	0.5 micron sediment prefilter (SF-MT-0.5-10)
Carbon Filter	0.5 micron carbon block prefilter (CF-0.5-10)
RO Membrane Type	90 GPD SpectraSelectPlus™ TFC Membrane (Use 2 for 180 GPD Systems)
DI Cartridges	Mega MaxCap™ Extended Life DI Cartridge (DI-MMC-10) Enduro DI™ DI Finishing Cartridge (DI-MB-ENDI-10)
Rejection Rate	Typical stabilized conductivity rejection 99% Minimum conductivity rejection 98%
Input Water Pressure	60 psi (4.15 bar) line pressure*
Input Water Temp	77°F (25°C)
Recovery Rate	33% (i.e. 33% of the water will be collected as pure water)

Dimensions:

MMC-RODI-90-10-MF	21" W x 15" H x 7" D (One Membrane)
MMC-RODI-180-10-MF	21" W x 15" H x 7" D (Two Membranes)

Nominal Membrane Flow Rates @ 60 psi, 77° F, & 250 ppm TDS :

<u>GPD</u>	<u>Product Water Flow Rate</u>	<u>Concentrate Flow Rate (2:1)</u>
90	237 ml/min	473 ml/min
180	473 ml/min	946 ml/min

Permeate flow and TDS rejection is based on the following test conditions:
250 ppm softened tap water, 77° F (25° C), 33% recovery and 60 psi.

Higher TDS, harder tap water, lower water temperature, greater recovery rate, or lower operating pressure may contribute to reduced permeate flow and/or lower TDS rejection.

Reverse Osmosis Operating Limits:

Operating Pressure*	40 – 80 psi (2.75 – 5.5 bar)
pH Range	2 – 11
Maximum Temperature	113° F (45° C)
Maximum Turbidity	1.0 NTU
Maximum Silt Density Index	5.0 (based on 15 min. test time)
Free Chlorine Tolerance	less than 0.1 ppm
Maximum Iron	less than 0.1 ppm
Maximum Manganese	less than 0.1 ppm
Maximum Hydrogen Sulfide	0 ppm

*Operating pressure less than 40 psi may require a booster pump:
Operating pressure greater than 80 psi may require a pressure regulator.

GENERAL SYSTEM DESCRIPTION:

The incoming feed water from a cold water source is directed through BLACK tubing with an inline ball valve and is first passed through a sediment prefilter. This filter is used to remove excessive turbidity, sand, dust, silt, etc., that would otherwise cause the carbon filter to become fouled. The next stage of filtration is the carbon block prefilter. This filter is used to remove organics and chlorine from the feed water that can damage the membrane. The next stage of the system is the RO membrane.

Household water pressure is used to force tap water through the semipermeable RO membrane. The membrane only allows the purest of water molecules to pass through it while over 98% of most inorganic salts, all microorganisms and almost all high molecular weight organics in the water are rejected by the membrane and sent down the drain.

These RODI systems have two stages of Deionization that polish the RO water to less than one ppm purity. The fourth and fifth stage filters are our Mega MaxCap™ DI Cartridge and our Enduro DI™ High-Performance DI Finishing Cartridge.

The Mega MaxCap™ DI Cartridge is used as a high-capacity “roughing” cartridge and is followed by our Enduro DI™ high-performance finishing cartridge. The Mega MaxCap™ DI cartridge has a much higher capacity, but less purity than the Enduro DI™ cartridge. These DI cartridges work in tandem to achieve a greatly extended lifespan when compared to standard mixed-bed DI cartridges. Because the RO water reaches it first, the Mega MaxCap™ will need to be replaced more often than the Enduro DI™.

The Mega MaxCap™ RODI system comes equipped with two Dual-Probe Inline TDS meters for complete monitoring of water purity throughout every stage of the purification process. The left-side TDS meter will monitor the tap water TDS and the TDS of the RO water, allowing you to accurately compute the rejection rate of the RO membrane. (See “Testing The Quality Of The Membrane” on Page 15.) The right-side meter monitors the DI cartridges to let you know when they need to be replaced. It will also monitor the purity of your product water when set to the “Out” position.

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GENERAL SYSTEM DESCRIPTION: (continued)

A pressure-operated Automatic Shutoff (ASO) Valve and a Float Valve are provided for convenient filling of a storage reservoir.

NOTE: SpectraPure does not recommend using the Float Valve for topoff due to evaporation. The short duration of the fill cycle when using a float valve will rapidly deplete the life of the DI cartridges due to TDS creep. Instead, we recommend the use of high/low float switches in the reservoir/sump to extend the fill cycle and minimize the effects of TDS creep. (see SpectraPure part number LLC-SVC-2FLT-2-10)

The Manual Flush Valve may be used to periodically rinse the accumulated impurities and concentrated waste water from the surface of the RO membrane to help increase the life of the membrane. The Manual Flush Valve is located in parallel with the flow restrictor (see page 9) and, when opened, provides a high-flow bypass of waste water used to purge concentrated brine from the membrane housing and rapidly flush any particulates from the membrane surface. This is especially useful in hard water conditions. We recommend that the valve be turned ON for 30 seconds at the start of a fill cycle and at the end of a fill cycle. BE SURE to turn the Flush Valve OFF before making product water.

FLOW RESTRICTORS AND TEST STRIPS:

These systems are supplied with TWO Flow Restrictors (FR) - RED and GREEN. (See images on Page 9.) The RED FR (pre-installed) produces a preset waste-to-product ratio of 3:1 and the optional GREEN FR has a 2:1 ratio.

Two Test Strips are provided to determine the Total Hardness (this is NOT TDS) of your tap water. To test: Dip the colored end into a small tap water sample for 3 seconds. Remove and do not shake. Wait for 20 seconds and then match with the closest color block on the back of the package. Color is stable for 1 minute.

If the Total Hardness is 180 or greater, you should keep the RED FR installed. If the Total Hardness is less than 180, you may replace the RED FR with the GREEN FR. (see "Working with Push Fittings" on Page 18.) Be sure to note the orientation of the small "plug" in the end of the removed FR and install the new FR with the same orientation.

The RED FR has a waste-to-product ratio of 3:1, which will increase the amount of water used, but also increase the lifetime of the RO membrane. In hard water conditions, you may use the GREEN FR to save water, but the RO membrane will not last as long, as it will plug up with hardness much more quickly.

OPTIONAL BOOSTER PUMP (BPHF-MF-115):

An optional Booster Pump is necessary for installations with less than 40 psi tap water pressure.

For installations with normal water pressure (60 psi), an optional Booster Pump may still be a good idea. Since RO production is directly dependent upon water pressure, the production rate may be dramatically increased by adding a Booster Pump Kit. When installed between the Carbon Block filter and the RO Membrane, the pressure may be increased up to 100 psi. This would double the production rate if the starting household water pressure is 50 psi.

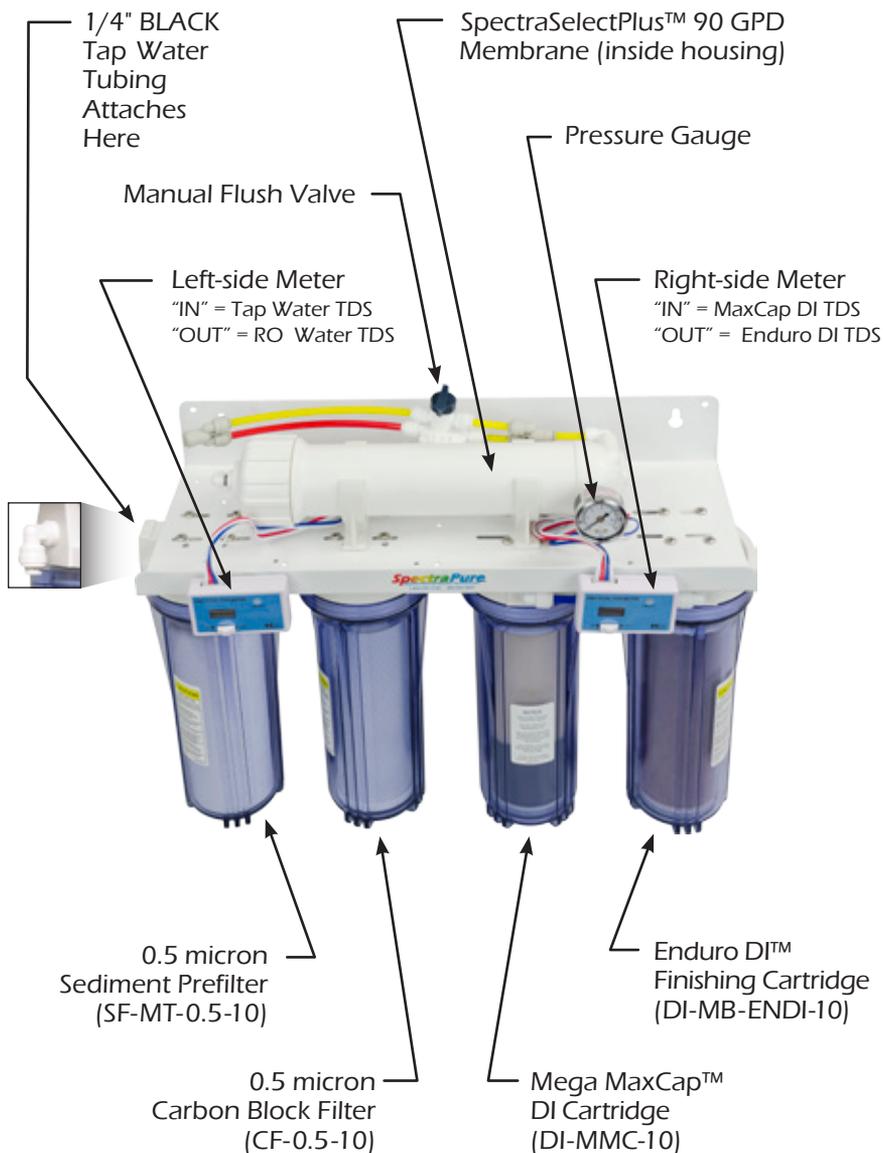
Higher water pressure not only increases the rate of production, it also results in higher rejection rates for the RO Membrane. Higher rejection rates mean less contaminants reach the DI stages, thereby extending the life of your DI Cartridges which are a more expensive way to filter water when compared to Reverse Osmosis Membranes.

If you are interested in installing a Booster Pump Kit on your RO/DI system or if you have any questions regarding a Booster Pump Kit, please contact SpectraPure Support.

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MAXCAP® MMC-RODI-90-10-MF : Front View

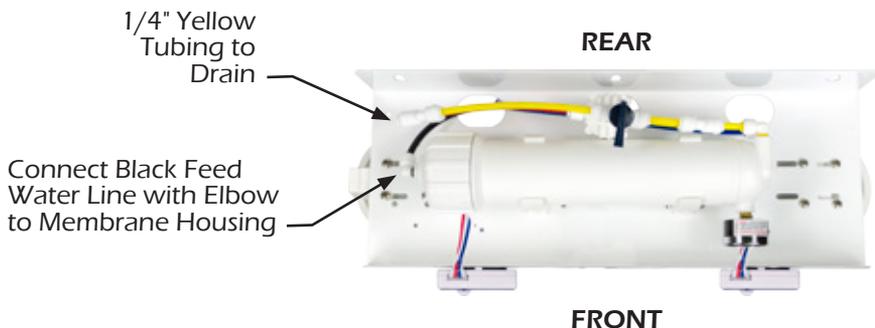
(180 GPD system is the same except for extra membrane housing)



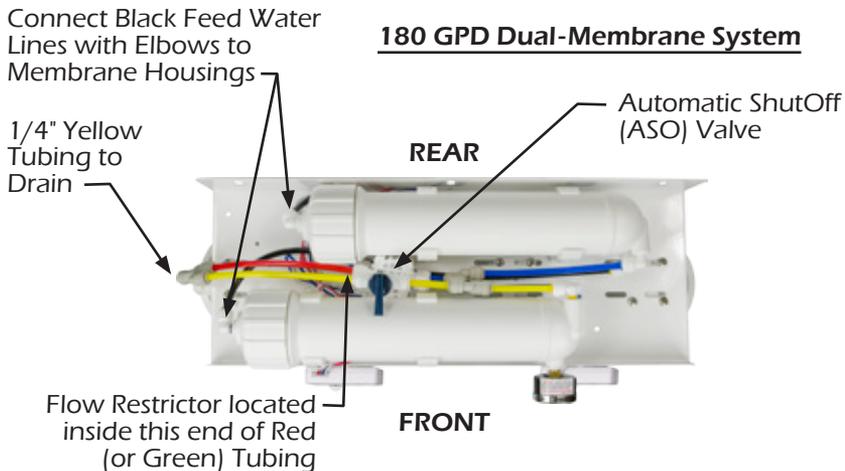
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MEGA MAXCAP™ RO/DI Systems : Top Views

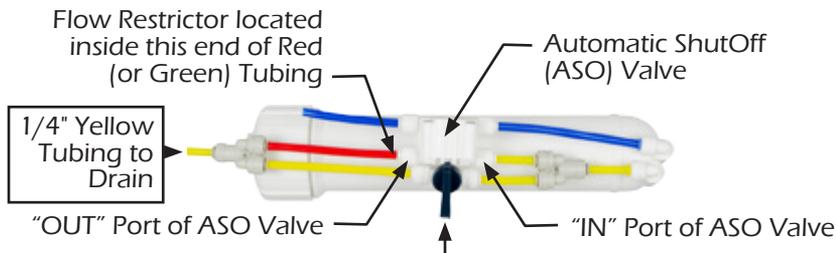
90 GPD Single-Membrane System



180 GPD Dual-Membrane System



MANUAL FLUSH ASSEMBLY



Handle in "RUN" position. If handle is parallel to tubing, system is in "FLUSH" mode.



CAUTION

- Most of the components of this system are plastic and are subject to damage by ultraviolet light from the sun and other sources such as metal halide lighting.
- Avoid installing this unit in an area where it may be subjected to bright light or direct sunlight, as algae is more likely to thrive inside the clear filter housings when exposed to bright light. The unit must be kept out of areas that are subject to freezing temperatures.
- High temperatures greater than 113° F (45° C) must be avoided. If the unit is used outside, avoid putting the system in direct sunlight or connecting it to a garden hose that may be exposed to sunlight.

SYSTEM INSTALLATION & INITIALIZATION:

1. Attach the black tap water tubing to the left side of the Sediment Filter Housing (See page 8).
 2. Attach the yellow drain line to the “Y”-connector at the rear of the system. This “Y”-connector already has a yellow and red tube attached to it. (See page 9)
 3. Attach the blue product line to the rear port of the right-hand DI housing (Left-side housing when viewed from rear. See image on right).
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4. Attach the black tubing and elbow(s) to the membrane housing cap(s). (See page 9)
 5. Attach the garden hose adapter (**connected to the black tubing**) to your cold water source.
 6. Remove the two DI filter cartridges from the two right-hand filter housings. Reconnect the two housings to their threaded caps. Hand tighten.
 7. The provided ball valve can be located at a convenient place on the black tap water line. Cut the black tubing in two and reconnect the two cut ends with the ball valve. This will allow you to cut off the water supply to service the RO/DI system without affecting the household water supply.
 8. Place the **yellow concentrate (waste) tubing** and the **blue purified (product) water tubing** temporarily into a drain. Do not restrict flow from these lines.
 9. Let both tubings run water down the drain for one hour.
 10. Reinstall the two DI cartridges into the DI housings. Hand tighten.

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SYSTEM INSTALLATION & INITIALIZATION: (cont.)

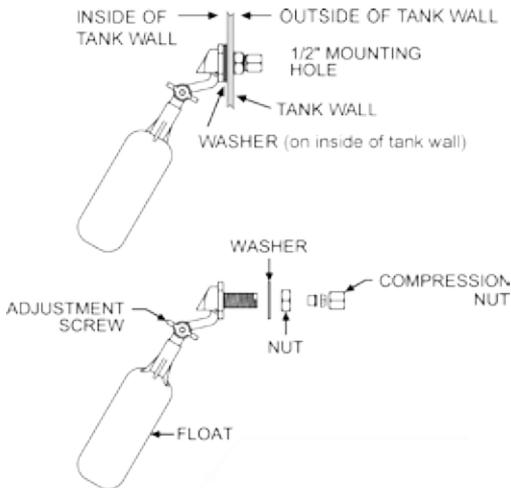
11. Insert the connectors at the end of the red, white and blue sensor wires into the tops of the TDS meters. You can then use the Velcro on the back to mount the meters wherever it is convenient. You may mount the meters on the system itself (as shown) or on a wall for easier viewing.
12. Open the cold water supply valve. The pressure should not exceed 80 psi.
13. Upon startup, air may be trapped in the DI cartridges (housings may not appear full). This is a normal condition and it will not affect the operation of the DI system, however, if you later install the Float Valve for automatic operation, all air must be kept purged from the housings by slightly unscrewing the housing(s) and letting the running water displace the air until the housings are full of water.
14. Close the cold water supply valve.
15. Finish the installation by directing or connecting the yellow line to a permanent drain.
16. Install the included Float Valve onto a collection reservoir. (See below.)
17. Attach the blue line to the Float Valve.
18. Check the system to ensure that all fittings are tight and leak-free before leaving the system unattended. (If anything is leaking, contact SpectraPure for assistance.)
19. It may take several days of normal operation for the membrane to reach its full production rate.

FLOAT VALVE INSTALLATION:

1. Drill a 1/2" hole near the top of your reservoir.
NOTE: If you are installing the Float Valve onto an acrylic tank we recommend using a new Fostner Bit to reduce the chance of cracking the acrylic.
2. (Refer to Diagram on Page 12) Remove the Compression Nut from the float body.
3. Insert the 1/4" Blue Tubing into the 1/2" Compression Nut with the threads towards the end of the tube.
4. Unscrew and remove the remaining nut from the float body.
5. Insert the float body and washer into the 1/2" hole and tighten the nut, which securely tightens the float to the tank wall.
6. Push the Compression Nut towards the end of the tubing and screw the Compression Nut back onto the float body.
7. To tighten, use one 1/2" wrench on the flats of the plastic threads and another 1/2" wrench on the Compression Nut.

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FLOAT VALVE ILLUSTRATION:



HOW THE FLOAT VALVE WORKS:

The increasing water level raises the Float Valve in the reservoir and stops the flow of water. Pressure builds up in the product line and ASO Valve until the ASO Valve shuts off the flow of waste water to drain. This "OFF" condition will be maintained until the reservoir needs more water and the Float Valve drops, allowing both product and waste water to flow again.

NOTE: This configuration maintains house pressure in the prefilters, membrane, and pressure gauge when in the "OFF" condition. Also, this system WILL NOT WORK with any kind of "bladder tank" attached to the product line.

An optional float kit can be used for filling an additional sump or reservoir. Our Float Kit (SPFK) includes a Float Valve and 1/4" Union Tee.



Notice: Using a mechanical float valve is not recommended for automation of the system or direct sump topoff.

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METERING AND DIAGNOSTICS:

This SpectraPure purification system has been fully equipped with sufficient instrumentation to make monitoring and troubleshooting an easy process. The provided pressure gauge is used to determine the tap water pressure and to evaluate the condition of the sediment and carbon prefilters. The pressure will drop as the prefilters become clogged by dirt (turbidity) from the tap water.

The two digital TDS meters will provide a reliable means of evaluating the efficiency of the RO membrane, the state of the DI cartridges, and the purity of the product water. The left-side meter shows Tap Water TDS when set to "IN" and RO Water TDS when set to "OUT". These measurements may be used to calculate the efficiency (lifespan) of the RO membrane. (See "Testing The Quality Of The Membrane" on Page 15.) The right-side meter shows the TDS of the water coming from the Mega MaxCap™ cartridge when set to "IN" and the TDS of the water coming from the Enduro DI™ cartridge when set to "OUT". The reading from the "OUT" setting on the right-hand meter is also the TDS of your final product water. (See "Mega MaxCap DI Replacement" and "Enduro DI Replacement" on Page 21)



Selector Switch set to "IN"

Left-Hand Meter		Right-Hand Meter	
IN	OUT	IN	OUT
Tap Water TDS	RO Water TDS	Mega MaxCap DI TDS	Enduro DI TDS (also product water TDS)

DM-1 METER Specifications:

Range	0-9990 PPM
Resolution	1PPM (0-999 PPM) 10 PPM (1000-9990 PPM)
Accuracy	±2%
Power Source	(2) 1.5V button batteries (LR44 or equiv.)
Battery life	Approx 1000 hours

For service or repair of these monitors, please send to:

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Culver City, CA 90230

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USING THE PRESSURE GAUGE:

The pressure gauge is used to monitor the condition of the Sediment and Carbon Prefilters. With the Sediment and Carbon filters removed, the gauge will indicate the “actual” tap water input pressure. When the prefilters are “new”, the pressure shown on the gauge will be slightly less than the actual tap water pressure and as the filters age, the pressure will drop due to the sediment that will collect in the prefilters. When the pressure on the gauge drops below 40 PSI or as the filters collect particulates and the pressure drop is greater than 15% to 20% of the normal water pressure, the prefilters are in need of replacement.

NOTE: When the pressure on the pressure gauge drops below the normal readings; do not assume that the sediment filter is the only cause. In some geographical areas where the input water contains a high percentage of very small micron particulates, the carbon filter may become clogged before the sediment filter. (The filters may look “new” but still cause the water pressure to drop). Do not judge the condition of the prefilters by their color, always use the pressure gauge to determine the condition of the prefilters.

USING THE MANUAL FLUSH VALVE

The Manual Flush Valve can be an important factor in extending the life of your RO membrane. It helps to flush the accumulated salts from the membrane surface and also lowers the TDS in the membrane housing. We recommend that you flush the system for 30 seconds upon startup and again when shutting the system off.

When the handle is perpendicular to the tubing, the waste water is forced to pass through the flow restrictor which builds backpressure in the membrane housing and reverses the osmotic flow to produce pure water.

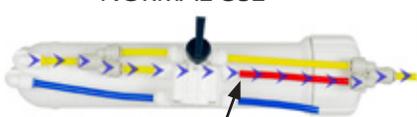
When the handle is parallel to the tubing, the water flows unimpeded through the waste water line, resulting in a fast flow across the surface of the membrane and down the drain line.

FLUSH POSITION



Will not produce purified water when in flush position

NORMAL USE



Must be in this position to produce purified water

Flow Restrictor (inside tubing)

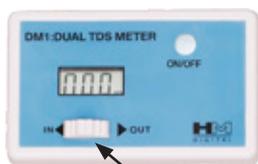
TESTING THE QUALITY OF THE MEMBRANE:

The performance of a RO membrane is measured by its ability to reject salts or TDS (Total Dissolved Solids). Use the TDS Meter located on the left side of your system for this procedure.

General Procedure:

1. Slide the switch on the Left-Side TDS meter all the way to the left (IN). Measure the tap water TDS. (Call it X)
2. Run the system for 15-20 minutes.
3. Slide the switch on the Left-Side TDS meter to the right (OUT). Measure RO product water TDS. (Call it Y).
4. Subtract RO water TDS from tap water TDS. (X - Y)
5. Divide this quantity by tap water TDS. $(X - Y) \div X$
6. Rejection = $[(X - Y) \div X] \times 100$

Important: Test the quality of the membrane once every 6 months.



Meter shown with switch set to "IN" position. Slide switch to right for "OUT" position.

Rejection of the RO Membrane Calculation Example

1. Tap water TDS = 150 ppm (X)
2. RO water TDS = 15 ppm (Y)
3. $X - Y = 135$ ppm
4. $(X - Y) \div X = 135 \div 150 = 0.90$
5. Rejection = $[(X - Y) \div X] \times 100 = 0.90 \times 100 = 90\%$

NOTE: Rejection rates less than 95% may indicate that the membrane should be replaced.

MEMBRANE PRODUCTION CALCULATION:

Membranes produce the rated gallons per day (GPD) at 60 psi (4.1 bars) operating pressure, 77°F (25°C) operating temperature and with no more than 250 ppm total dissolved solids.

Membrane output gallons per day (GPD) depends on operating pressure, water temperature and the TDS in the feed water.

Expected GPD = Rated GPD × PCF × TCF

PCF is the pressure correction factor

TCF is the temperature correction factor

Calculation of Pressure Correction Factor (PCF): The output (GPD) from the membrane is directly proportional to the applied pressure.

NOTE: The membrane is rated to produce the rated GPD at 60 psi. For any pressure other than 60 psi the output GPD is multiplied by the PCF.

PCF = Line Pressure (in psi) ÷ 60

Calculation of Temperature Correction Factor (TCF): The output (GPD) decreases with a decrease in temperature. This is due to water viscosity increasing with a decrease in water temperature.

Temperature Correction Factor Table (TCF)

°F / °C	TCF	°F / °C	TCF	°F / °C	TCF
41.0 / 5	0.521	59.0 / 15	0.730	77.0 / 25	1.000
42.8 / 6	0.540	60.8 / 16	0.754	78.8 / 26	1.031
44.6 / 7	0.560	62.6 / 17	0.779	80.6 / 27	1.063
46.4 / 8	0.578	64.4 / 18	0.804	82.4 / 28	1.094
48.2 / 9	0.598	66.2 / 19	0.830	84.2 / 29	1.127
50.0 / 10	0.620	68.0 / 20	0.857	86.0 / 30	1.161
51.8 / 11	0.640	69.8 / 21	0.884	87.8 / 31	1.196
53.6 / 12	0.661	71.6 / 22	0.912	89.6 / 32	1.232
55.4 / 13	0.684	73.4 / 23	0.941	91.4 / 33	1.267
57.2 / 14	0.707	75.2 / 24	0.970	93.2 / 34	1.304

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MEMBRANE PRODUCTION CALCULATION: (cont.)

Membrane Output Calculation Example

What is the expected GPD from a 100 GPD System at 40 psi pressure and 60°F water temperature?

$$\text{PCF} = 40 \div 60 = 0.666$$

$$\text{TCF} = 0.754 \text{ (from Table on previous page)}$$

$$\text{Expected GPD} = 100 \times 0.666 \times 0.754 = 50.2 \text{ GPD} \pm 20\%^*$$

50.2 GPD would be the Actual Production Rate

*Membrane manufacturers state their flow ratings with a $\pm 20\%$ variance.

TIPS FOR LONG MEMBRANE LIFE:

1. Replace the sediment filter at least once every 6 months. This will prevent membrane fouling due to silt or sediment depositing on the membrane.
2. Replace the carbon block filter at least once every 6 months or when chlorine breakthrough occurs. This will ensure good membrane life and protect the membrane from chlorine damage.
3. Membrane should not be operated at lower than the minimum 2:1 concentrate to purified water ratio.
4. Operating reverse osmosis systems on softened feed water greatly reduces the chances of membrane fouling and extends the life of the RO Membrane.

WORKING WITH PUSH FITTINGS:

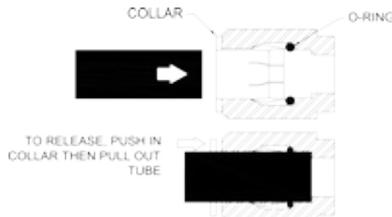
Push fittings are very reliable and convenient tubing connectors.

To remove the tubing from its push fitting:

1. Firmly depress and hold the push fitting collar down with your thumbnail.
2. While the push fitting collar is depressed, pull the tubing straight out of the push fitting. Once the tubing is removed, release the collar.

To reinsert the tubing into its push fitting:

1. Moisten the O-ring seal inside the push fitting by dripping a few drops of clean water into the fitting.
2. Grasp the tubing near the end, and insert the tubing into the push fitting.
3. Push the tubing into the fitting until resistance is felt, approximately 1/2 inch (12.7 mm). The tubing is now resting on the O-ring seal inside the fitting.
4. Firmly push the tubing approximately an additional 1/4 inch (6.35 mm) further into the fitting to completely seat the line into the fitting and past the O-ring seal.
5. Turn on the system water supply and check for leaks prior to further use or testing. If a leak is observed, you may not have pushed the tubing into the push fitting far enough to seal the tubing against the O-ring. Turn off the system water supply and reseat the tubing as described above.



SEDIMENT PREFILTER REPLACEMENT:

A Sediment Filter will usually last approx. 4-6 months, depending on the quality of the tap water and quantity of water being produced. (The lifespan of the filter is determined by the turbidity, iron content, organics, and total particulate volume in your water source). The best way to determine when your Sediment Prefilter needs to be replaced is to monitor the Pressure Gauge. When you have a drop in pressure of 15-20% below your normal gauge pressure, replace the filter. To verify this, run water through the system without the filter in its housing. If the pressure returns to your normal house pressure without the filter, you will know the filter you just took out was plugged up and causing the pressure drop.

****NOTE:** A drop in the system's production is, in most cases, an indication that the sediment filter has become saturated with contaminants and will need to be replaced. If you remove the sediment and the pressure does not return to normal, the carbon filter may be plugged. If your water contains a great deal of sediment or chlorine, the prefilters may require more frequent changes to maintain adequate production rate and extended membrane life.

Sediment Prefilter Replacement

Materials Required: Sediment prefilter (SF-MT-0.5-10),
Filter Wrench (WR-UNIV)

Procedure:

1. Turn off water supply to the system.
2. Using the provided filter housing wrench, remove the first housing on the left. Unscrew it clockwise as viewed from the top.
3. Remove the old filter and discard.
4. Thoroughly wash the housing with a mixture of hot soapy water and a few teaspoons of household bleach. Rinse well with clean hot water.
5. Insert the new prefilter into the housing, Screw the housing back onto the assembly and hand-tighten **only**.

NOTE: Do not use filter wrench to tighten housings. Over-tightening will damage housings and void your warranty.

6. Proceed with carbon block filter replacement.

CARBON BLOCK FILTER REPLACEMENT:

A Carbon Filter will usually last 4-6 months, depending on the chlorine (or chloramine) content of your tap water and quantity of water being produced. The best way to determine when your Carbon Block Prefilter needs to be replaced is to use a chlorine test kit.

Any chlorine level above 0.1 ppm will cause damage to the membrane and indicates that the carbon block filter must be changed. To test for chlorine breakthrough, collect a 10 ml sample of the concentrate from the yellow waste water tubing and test the chlorine concentration using test kit TK-CL-10-KIT. If the chlorine concentration is above 0.1 ppm, replace the carbon prefilter.

****NOTE:** A drop in the system's production is, in most cases, an indication that the sediment filter has become saturated with contaminants, but a carbon filter can also decrease production if it's covered with extremely fine sediment. If the carbon becomes plugged with sediment, it will no longer be able to remove chlorine.

Carbon Block Filter Replacement

Materials Required: Carbon Block prefilter (CF-0.5-10), Filter Wrench, Chlorine Test Kit (TK-CL-10-KIT)

Procedure:

1. Turn off water supply to the system.
2. Using the provided filter housing wrench, remove the second housing from the left. Unscrew it clockwise as viewed from the top.
3. Remove the old filter and discard.
4. Thoroughly wash the housing with a mixture of hot soapy water and a few teaspoons of household bleach. Rinse well with clean hot water.
5. Insert the new carbon block filter into the housing, Screw the housing back onto the assembly and hand-tighten **only**.

NOTE: Do not use filter wrench to tighten housings. Over-tightening will damage housings and void your warranty.

6. Turn on system water supply and check for leaks.

MEGA MAXCAP DI REPLACEMENT:

The Mega MaxCap™ DI cartridge is located in the second housing from the right. When the Right-Side Meter (set to the “IN” position) reads “1”, it is time to replace the Mega MaxCap™ DI cartridge.

1. Turn the system off and remove the cartridge housing by rotating it in a counterclockwise direction.
2. Thoroughly wash out the housing with hot soapy water to which a few teaspoons of household bleach have been added. Rinse well with clean hot water.
3. Make sure the DI cartridge is installed in the correct direction. The white cap should be facing upward. Make sure that the top seal is securely attached to the top of the cartridge.
4. Tighten the cartridge housing by rotating it clockwise and hand tighten.
5. Turn on system and check for leaks.



ENDURO DI REPLACEMENT:

The Enduro DI™ cartridge is located in the rightmost housing. When the Right-Side Meter (set to the “OUT” position) reads “1”, it is time to replace the Enduro DI™ cartridge.

1. Turn the system off and remove the cartridge housing by rotating it in a counterclockwise direction.
2. Thoroughly wash out the housing with hot soapy water to which a few teaspoons of household bleach have been added. Rinse well with clean hot water.
3. Make sure the DI cartridge is installed in the correct direction. The white cap should be facing upward. Make sure that the top seal is securely attached to the top of the cartridge.
4. Tighten the cartridge housing by rotating it clockwise and hand tighten.
5. Turn on system and check for leaks.

RO MEMBRANE REPLACEMENT:

Your Mega MaxCap system comes equipped with a SpectraSelectPlus™ 99% rejection membrane. As membranes age, their rejection rates drop. The DI cartridges scrub all of the TDS from the water that the RO membrane does not remove. If your rejection rate drops from 99% to 98%, then the life of your DI cartridges will drop roughly in half as they have to remove 2% of contaminants instead of 1%. Thus, the decision to replace the RO membrane becomes subjective as one considers the cost of replacing the RO membrane compared to the decreased lifespan of the DI cartridges. We recommend that you replace the RO membrane when your rejection rate drops to 95%, and probably sooner if you notice that your DI cartridges are becoming rapidly depleted. (See “Testing The Quality Of The Membrane” on Page 15.)

1. Turn off the water supply to the RO system. Place the system where the membrane housing(s) can be easily accessed.
2. Remove the black tubing from the membrane feed push fitting by depressing the collar on the fitting with your thumb and pulling the tubing from the push fitting. You should not have to remove the blue and yellow tubes. (See Working With Push Fittings on page 18.)
3. Lift the membrane housing from the retention clips and unscrew the membrane housing cap. This may require two people.
4. Use a pair of pliers to grasp the membrane stem and pull the membrane from the housing.
5. Remove the black housing O-ring. Wash the empty housing with soapy water. Rinse thoroughly with hot, clean water.
6. Insert the new membrane into the housing, with the double O-ring end first. The o-rings and tube must fit into the recess at the bottom of the membrane housing. When the membrane is aligned with the recess, firmly push the membrane into the recess until it bottoms out.

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Proper Orientation of New Membrane in Relation to Housing



RO MEMBRANE REPLACEMENT: (continued)

7. Place the black housing O-ring on the housing rim and carefully screw the lid back on to the base. Hand-tighten.
8. Reconnect the black tubing to the membrane feed push fitting.
9. If you have a dual-membrane system (-180), perform steps 2 thru 8 on the second membrane.
10. Open the Flush Valve and allow the system to flush for several minutes to remove any loose particles.
11. Close the Flush Valve and turn on the water supply to the system.
12. Check for leaks.

SANITIZING THE SYSTEM:

(It is recommended that you sanitize the system once a year.)

1. Turn tap water source off and remove all filters from the system, including the RO membrane.
2. Mix together hot water, soap and a little bleach.
3. Scrub filter housings and rinse with clean tap water to remove soap and bleach.
4. Place filters back into housings and reconnect lines.

SYSTEM STORAGE:

1. It is recommended that you store your RO System in a cool and dark place when not being used.
2. Your RO System must always be protected from freezing or temperatures above 113° F (45° C).

SYSTEM TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE

1. Low production rate:
 - a. plugged prefilters. i. Replace prefilters.
 - b. low water temperature ii. Warm feed water OR use higher GPD membrane.
 - c. low line pressure. iii. Use booster pump OR use higher GPD membrane.
 - d. high TDS content. iv. Use booster pump OR use higher GPD membrane.
 - e. fouled membrane. v. Replace membrane to restore flux.
 - f. plugged flow restrictor. vi. Replace flow restrictor & membrane.

2. Zero production rate:
 - a. Missing flow restrictor. i. Install flow restrictor in the yellow line.
 - b. Dried RO membrane. ii. Try to restore flux by soaking in rubbing alcohol OR replace the membrane.
 - c. Plugged flow restrictor. iii. Replace flow restrictor and replace the membrane.
 - d. Flush Valve is open. iv. Close Flush Valve.

3. Extremely high production rate:
 - a. Ruptured membrane. i. Replace membrane.
 - b. Very high line pressure (> 80 psi). ii. Use a pressure regulator.

4. Pressure gauge does not register pressure when the system is "ON"
 - a. Missing flow restrictor. i. Put flow restrictor in the yellow line.
 - b. Pressure gauge screwed in too far. ii. Unscrew pressure gauge one-half turn and retest.
 - c. Plugged pressure gauge orifice. iii. Clean orifice with a needle.
 - d. Defective pressure gauge. iv. Replace it.

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5. Low deionization cartridge life:
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| a. Defective membrane. | i. Replace it. |
| b. Low pressure (<40 psi). | ii. Use booster pump. |
| c. High CO2 levels in water (> 5 ppm) | iii. Aerate RO product water. |
| d. High TDS in feed water (>1500 ppm). | iv. NO EASY SOLUTION. |
| e. Bad or faulty DI cartridge. | v. Replace DI cartridge. |
| f. High pH tap water (>9.0). | vi. Acidify feed water to the RO membrane to improve its rejection. |
| g. Faulty monitor/probe. | vii. Test and Replace if required. |

OPTIONAL ACCESSORIES:

PIGGY-BACK UPGRADE KITS (PBK-90-SEL), - This add-on kit contains everything you need to double the output (gallons per day) of your existing 90 GPD RO or RODI System. All necessary fittings, tubing, adapters and flow restrictors are included.

UV PURIFIER KIT (UV-1GPM-KIT) - Are you on a private well or other potentially unreliable source of water? You may require a UV kit to destroy harmful bacteria, viruses and other contaminants. Ultraviolet kills up to 99% of all viruses and bacteria for the safest water. This kit contains everything you need to add UV to your Reverse Osmosis System.

BOOSTER PUMP KITS (BPHF-MF-115) - SpectraPure® Booster Pump Kits are ideal for use on water sources with pressures below 40 psi such as private wells, gravity feed water systems and high-rise apartments. A pressure gauge is used to monitor the booster pump pressure.

ADDITIONAL FLOAT VALVE KIT (SPFK) - Add a second or multiple float valves to your existing system. Never use the float valve as a method of automation.



Notice: Using a mechanical float valve is not recommended for automation of the system or direct sump toloff.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

1. Shipping charges on units or parts submitted to our facility for repair or replacement must be borne by the registered purchaser. After repair or replacement, the factory will return the unit or part freight prepaid to the customer.
2. We assume no warranty liability in connection with our equipment other than as herein specified.
3. This warranty is in lieu of all other warranties expressed or implied, including warranties of fitness for a particular purpose.
4. We do not authorize any person or representative to assume for us any other obligation on the sale of our equipment. This is the exclusive remedy and liability for consequential damages under any and all warranties which are excluded to the extent exclusion is permitted by law.
5. Proof of original purchase date must accompany all warranty claims.
6. SpectraPure, Inc. Reserves the right to change prices without notice when necessary. All prices in the catalog are quoted in US dollars.
7. Claims for error in quantity or condition must be made within 10 days of receipt of material. SpectraPure, Inc. will not be responsible for any claimed shortages not reported within 10 days. Returns other than warranty claims may be subject to 20% restocking fee.
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9. A complete credit check is required prior to shipping on a Net 30 or "C.O.D. - CUSTOMER CHECK ACCEPTABLE" basis. In the interim period during which credit references are being evaluated, all orders must be shipped "C.O.D. - CERTIFIED FUNDS" (cash, cashiers check or money order).
10. All returned checks (due to insufficient funds or closed accounts) will be subjected to a **\$25 penalty charge**.
11. Invoices on Net 30 accounts not paid within 30 days of shipment will be considered delinquent and will accrue Finance charges at the rate of 1.5% per month (18% per annum).

THREE-YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY:

SpectraPure, Inc.® warrants the product to the original owner only to be free of defects in material and workmanship for a period of three years from the date of receipt. SpectraPure's liability under this warranty shall be limited to repairing or replacing at SpectraPure's option, without charge, F.O.B. SpectraPure's factory, any product of SpectraPure's manufacture. SpectraPure will not be liable for any cost of removal, installation, transportation or any other charges which may arise in connection with a warranty claim. Products which are sold but not manufactured by SpectraPure are subject to the warranty provided by the manufacturer of said products and not by SpectraPure's warranty. SpectraPure will not be liable for damage or wear to products caused by abnormal operating conditions, accident, abuse, misuse, unauthorized alteration or repair or, if the product was not installed in accordance with SpectraPure's or other manufacturer's printed installation and operating conditions, or damage caused by hot water, freezing, flood, fire or acts of God.

SpectraPure will not be responsible for any consequential damages arising from installation or use of the product, including any water or mold damage due to flooding which may occur due to malfunction or faulty installation, including, but not limited to failure by installer to over- or under-tighten fittings, housings, and/or push-style fittings, or improper installation of push-style fittings. Consumable items such as prefilters and membranes are not covered under the 3 year warranty.

SpectraPure warrants (prorated) the performance of Tested SpectraSelect™ RO membrane elements only, for one year from date of receipt by the buyer, providing that the loss of performance was not caused by fouling, neglect or water conditions exceeding the feed water parameters listed in the applicable product manual (refer to detailed membrane warranty information). SpectraPure will, on confirmation of loss of performance during the warranty period, credit the prorated amount of the current catalog price of the element. The disposable filters and cartridges are not covered under the warranty.

To obtain service under this warranty, the defective system or components must be returned to SpectraPure with proof of purchase, installation date, failure date and supporting installation data. Any defective product to be returned to the factory must be sent freight prepaid; documentation supporting the warranty claim and a Return Merchandise Authorization (RMA) number must be included. SpectraPure will not be liable for shipping damages due to the improper packaging of the returned equipment and all returned goods must also have adequate insurance coverage and a tracking number.

SpectraPure will not pay for loss or damage caused directly or indirectly by the presence, growth, proliferation, spread or any activity of "fungus", wet or dry rot or bacteria. Such loss or damage is excluded regardless of any other cause or event that contributes concurrently or in any sequence to the loss. We will not pay for loss or damage caused by or resulting from continuous or repeated seepage or leakage of water, or the presence or condensation of humidity, moisture or vapor, that occurs over a period of 14 days or more. "Fungus" and "fungi" mean any type or form of fungus or Mycota or any byproduct or type of infestation produced by such fungus or Mycota, including but not limited to, mold, mildew, mycotoxins, spores, scents or any biogenic aerosols.

SpectraPure will not be liable for any incidental or consequential damages, losses or expenses arising from installation, use, or any other causes. There are no expressed or implied warranties, including merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose, which extend beyond those warranties described or referred to above.

* **The three year limited warranty does not apply to consumable items, including but not limited to, filters and cartridges unless specifically stated above.**

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REPLACEMENT PARTS:

<u>Part Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
SF-MT-0.5-10	High-Performance 0.5 micron Sediment Filter
CF-0.5-10	High-Performance 0.5 micron Carbon Filter
MEM-SP-0090	90 gpd SpectraSelectPlus™ TFC Membrane (Use 2 for 180 gpd systems)
FR-90-RED, -GRN*	Flow Restrictors for 90 gpd System
FR-180-RED, -GRN*	Flow Restrictors for 180 gpd System
* Green Flow Restrictors have a 2:1 waste ratio recommended for tap water <180 ppm Red Flow Restrictors have a 3:1 waste ratio recommended for tap water ≥180 ppm	
DI-MMC-10	Mega MaxCap™ DI Cartridge
DI-MB-ENDI-10	Enduro DI™ Finishing Cartridge
GHA-4	1/4" Garden Hose Adapter
PGK	Pressure Gauge Kit
BV-4JG	1/4" Ball Valve
BV-6JG	3/8" Ball Valve
WR-UNIV	Filter Wrench
MTR-TDS-DM1	Inline Dual-Probe TDS Meter

ACCESSORIES:

<u>Part Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
BPHF-MF-115	Booster Pump Kit for Manual Flush Systems
LLC-SVC-2FLT-2-10	Dual-Float Assembly for automation
MTR-PH80	Hand-held pH Meter
FAU-SNP	Quick Connect Faucet Adapter
TK-CL-10-KIT	Total Chlorine Test Kit
TK-CL-10TABS	10 Replacement Tabs for Chlorine Test Kit



Warning: SpectraPure does not recommend drinking deionized water.