

# **ECO**

# **Cartridge Filter**

Model — 0-1805-180

Model — 0-1805-240

Model — 0-1805-360

Model — 0-1805-480

# **Owner's Guide**



**↑**WARNING

"READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS" Failure to follow these important safety instructions and other basic safety precautions may result in serious personal injury.

#### IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

Before you begin installing your filter, refer to your pump owners guide for very important installation and electrical information related to your filter.

#### **ELECTRICAL/BUILDING PERMIT**

Local building codes may require obtaining an electrical or building permit and may have regulations on set backs and barriers that must be followed.

#### **ELECTRICAL**

We recommend you have a qualified electrical contractor install the electrical power supply as specified in your pump instructions.

#### INSTALLED LOCATION

Position filter, pump and any other related components a minimum of 5 feet from pool to prevent their being used as a means to climb into the pool by young children. **DO NOT** store toys, chairs, tables, containers or other objects within 5 feet of the pool for the same reason.

#### WARNING

**SEVERE ELECTRICAL SHOCK** could result if you install your filter and pump on a deck or above pool water level. They could fall into the water, causing severe shock or electrocution. **DO NOT** install on a deck or other surface at, above or slightly below the top rail of the pool.

#### PROPERLY SUPPORTED

Filter, pump and any other related components should be properly supported to prevent damage from misalignment, settlement, vibration and mounted so as to minimize the potential for the accumulation of debris and moisture.

### **ACCESSIBILITY**

The circulation system components should be installed to allow accessibility for inspection, repair or replacement.

**DO NOT** alter the pump electrical cord in any way or change the plug end to any style.

**DO NOT** use an extension cord(s). Severe electrical shock may occur.

#### PREVENT SEVERE SHOCK

To prevent the risk of severe electrical shock, plug your pump cord end into a grounding type receptacle protected by a ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI). Contact a qualified electrician if you cannot verify that the receptacle is protected by a GFCI.

**DO NOT** allow children to operate or play around this product unless they are closely supervised by adults at all times.

Replace damaged cord immediately to reduce the risk of electrical shock.

#### DO NOT BURY CORD

An exposed cord may accidentally become damaged or severed by a sharp object or shovel resulting in severe electrical shock. Position cord to prevent accidental damage from lawn mowers, hedge trimmers or other equipment.

#### BARE FEET/WET GROUND

This is a dangerous combination around electrical equipment. Always be sure the ground under your feet and body is dry before you touch electrical equipment. Failure to heed this warning may cause severe personal injury or electrocution due to severe electrical shock.

#### **WARNING**

Avoid direct water spraying with a garden hose around electrical outlets, pump or any other electrical devices. Severe electrical shock or electrocution may occur.

#### **SERVICING YOUR PUMP**

Always unplug your pump from the receptacle before servicing, adjusting or repairing.

# **▲**WARNING

### **HAZARDOUS PRESSURE**

Pumps, filters and other equipment/components of a swimming pool filtration system operate under pressure. Incorrectly installed and/or improperly tested filtration equipment and/or components may fail resulting in injury and/or property damage. A qualified pool professional MUST conduct all pressure tests. This product is intended for above-ground/on-ground swimming pool applications only. DO NOT connect to a high pressure system such as a municipal water main. To prevent explosion caused by entrapped air in the filtration system, bleed all air from the system. Confirm that ALL filtration system component clamps, bolts and covers have been properly tightened.

# SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

Did you read the **IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUC-TIONS?** If not, **READ THEM NOW.** They contain very important safety information related to the installation of your filter.

Familiarize yourself with the installation sequences by reading these instructions first. **AVOID SHORTCUTS** that may result in reworking the installation.

#### BEFORE YOU BEGIN

The pool must be properly erected per your pool assembly and installation instructions before installing the filter. Install the surface skimmer and return fitting. Before completing the filling of the pool to the water level indicator marks on the skimmer face plate, the filter and pump should be installed with all connections securely tightened.

#### **TOOLS REQUIRED**

- · Flat head screwdriver
- · Crescent wrench
- Measuring tape
- Carpenters level
- Flat nose shovel
- Rags
- 5/16" Nutdriver (optional)

The following tools are required for hard plumbing:

- Hack saw
- File

#### **MATERIALS REQUIRED**

• Nine 12" x 12" patio blocks (All filters)

The following materials are required for hard plumbing.

- 1-1/2" Schedule 40 PVC pipe NOTE: Quantity depends on length of pipe runs desired.
- 10 to 12 1-1/2" 90 degree socket PVC elbows
- · PVC pipe primer
- ABS to PVC solvent cement with applicator

# INSTALLATION

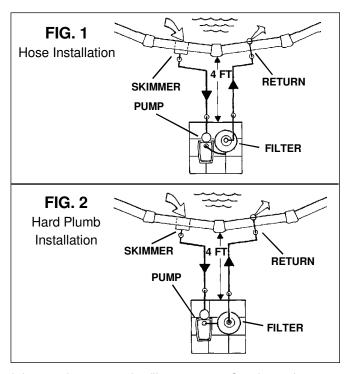
#### **INSTALLATION LOCATION**

Install your filter and pump and any other related components at least 4 feet from the pool to prevent their being used as a means of access to the pool by young children. Patio blocks provide firm support and keeps standing water and weeds away from electrical parts. DO NOT install your filter and pump directly on the ground surface. Settling and stressing of the circulation lines may occur during wet seasons. Position patio blocks as shown in the following illlustrations, using a shovel and carpenter's level to level ground before placing the blocks.

### POSITIONING FILTER/PUMP

Position filter and pump on pad as shown in Fig. 1 for hose installation, hoses not included, or Fig. 2 when hard plumbing.

Suction and return lines should be partially buried to prevent accidental tripping that could cause personal



injury or damage to the filter system. Starting at least 12" from the pool wall, make two 3-4" deep trenches, one from the pool's skimmer toward the front of the pump and the other from the pool's return fitting toward the filter port located on the tank cover, marked "TO POOL". Be sure the hoses are routed so that water flow through them is not restricted.

#### **POSITION FILTER ON TANK BASE**

Position filter in the tank base with the tank port labeled "TO PUMP" oriented to the pump discharge as shown in Fig.s 1 or 2.

**IMPORTANT:** After orienting the filter on the pad, and prior to filter start-up, you must install the tank o-ring. Loosen the v-clamp and remove it and the cover. Install the o-ring onto the tank flange. Reinstall the cover, being sure that the o-ring is seated into the cover groove. Reinstall the v-clamp and tighten.

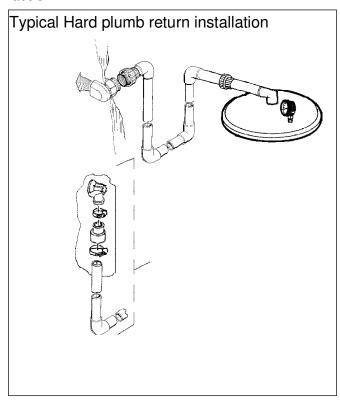
#### HARD PLUMB INSTALLATIONS

Use 1-1/2" Schedule 40 PVC pipe. Cut pipe to length as required between the joints. With ends cut square, remove any burrs and loosely assemble for proper fit prior to solvent welding. Slip the union nut (25) onto the pipe with the female threads facing the union adaptor (3). Then, solvent weld the union socket (24) onto the pipe using primer and PVC/ABS solvent cement. DO NOT Allow solvent cement to contact the sealing surface of the union socket. When dry, assemble the threaded connections and tighten firmly by hand.

Insert the o-ring (27) into the union adaptor groove, then secure the cemented pipe assembly onto the union adaptor (3) with the union nut (25).

#### **SOLVENT WELDING**

Contact your pool dealer for ABS to PVC Solvent, PVC Cement, and PVC Primer. Follow directions on the labels.



# **INITIAL START UP**

A newly filled pool is normally filled with unfiltered water and usually requires continuous filtering for 24 to 48 hours along with chemical treatment of the pool water. Excessively contaminated water with suspended particles and algae, may require you to clean the cartridges once or twice during this initial stage of filtering the new raw water. After this initial filtering stage, the cartridge cleaning process will be less frequent and will allow longer time periods between cartridge cleanings.

 Loosen the pump strainer pot lid to allow air to escape. Tighten lid when water begins to flow between strainer pot lid and strainer body. DO NOT over tighten.

- 2. Plug in your pump to the GFCI protected receptacle. **Refer to "WARNINGS".**
- Start pump. Check all fittings and hose connections for leaks and correct if necessary. Note the pressure reading on the pressure gauge. Clean the cartridges when the pressure has increased 5 pounds over the clean cartridge filter pressure.

# FILTER OPERATION

Because all pool installation environmental conditions are so variable (wind, rain, airborne debris, heat, and pool use, etc.), it is difficult to provide an accurate normal filtering time for normal usage. You must determine how long your filter must operate each day. Generally, 6 to 8 hours of filtering each day is sufficient to maintain pool clarity if the pool chemical treatment is correct. Consult your local pool store for helpful advice in keeping your pool clean and sanitary.

When possible, avoid operating your filter during peak times for electricity demands in your community. Check with your local electric utility company for their recommendation on the best times for operating your filter and pump.

#### WHEN TO CLEAN CARTRIDGES

When to clean the cartridges largely depends on local environmental conditions and sudden changes in the weather. Windy areas or a sudden high windy day, spring time pollen releases, excessive pool use or neglect in pool chemical treatment can cause your filter to work harder to remove excess amounts of airborne particulates. Check the pressure gauge reading frequently and clean the cartridges when the pressure gauge increases 5-7 PSI above the clean filter starting pressure.

#### **CLEANING CARTRIDGES**

As the cartridges become saturated with dirt and debris, the return flow back to the pool will slow. To clean the cartridges, follow the steps below:

1. **STOP PUMP** and unplug from receptacle.

### 2. PLUG SKIMMER AND RETURN

To prevent the backflow of pool water from exiting the filter tank when the cover is removed, stuff a rag into the following openings:

A - Inside skimmer, bottom hole.

B - Return inlet fitting opening (from inside of pool).

#### 3. DRAIN TANK

Remove the tank drain cap. Allow the tank to start draining. The drainage flow will increase when the tank cover is removed.

#### 4. DISCONNECT HOSE/PIPING

Loosen the return line hose clamp at the the tank cover connection. Remove end of hose from fitting.

### 5. REMOVE TANK COVER

Loosen the v-clamp knob counterclockwise and remove the clamp. Lift cover straight up until clear. Note: Hard plumbed lines (if used) may have to be shifted to one side in order to clear cover from tank. Set aside, taking care not to scratch or dent the oring sealing surface on cover. Remove tank o-ring from tank flange. Allow tank to drain completely.

#### 6. REMOVE CARTRIDGE LOCATOR

Grip the center pipe coupling and unscrew counterclockwise. Lift it and cartridge collector out of the tank.

# 7. LIFT OUT CARTRIDGES

Carefully rotate and lift out each cartridge, taking care not to damage the cartridge's pleated material.

**CAUTION:** Never lay the side of a cartridge on a rough textured surface such as concrete, asphalt, gravel, etc.. Damage to the pleated filtering material may occur. **THIS WILL SERIOUSLY REDUCE FILTERING PERFORMANCE.** 

#### 8. FLUSH OUT TANK

With a garden hose, flush out tank through the drain and remove any large debris that may have passed through the skimmer and/or pump strainer baskets into the filter.

#### 9. CLEAN CARTRIDGES

Attach the **BLASTER NOZZLE** to a garden hose. Position cartridge in an upright position, supporting with one hand when cleaning. Hold the blaster nozzle away from the cartridge about 18". Starting at the top of the cartridge, spray between each pleat, working downward.

#### 10. SOLUTION CLEAN CARTRIDGES

**NOTE:** Before solution cleaning the cartridges, be aware that chlorine and acids kill lawns and plant life. Clean the cartridges in a suitable area. Always wear protective clothing such as gloves and goggles.

If the cartridge becomes impregnated with algae, pour a mild chlorine solution (1 part chlorine to 4 parts water) over all pleated surfaces and let soak for 10 minutes. Hose off thoroughly. Then, mix a solution of warm water and detergent (1 cup per 5 gallons of water). Then add one cup of chlorine or household bleach to the solution.

Totally submerge and soak the cartridges for 15-30 minutes. Agitate the cartridges vigorously to dislodge trapped particles.

#### 11. **RINSE**

Rinse cartridges thoroughly before reinstalling in the filter. Soapy bubbles will appear on the pool surface near the return fitting if the cartridges are not rinsed clean,.

#### 12. HARD WATER

Hard water will eventually coat the cartridges with calcium deposits that cut off good filtering performance. To correct, mix a solution (1 part muriatic acid to 4 parts water). With the cartridges fully submerged, soak them for about 15 minutes. Rinse thoroughly with clean water.

NOTE: Muriatic acid solution will kill lawns and plant life. Perform this service in a suitable area.

13. Reverse procedure for re-assembly.

# 14. RESUME NORMAL OPERATION

Start pump and check for any leaks around cover, tank drain, and all connections. Correct if necessary.

# **MAINTENANCE**

Preventative maintenance will provide continued smooth performance and extend the life of your filter for many years. Neglect will cause parts to wear or bind, leaks to occur and result in costly repairs. Always keep moving parts lubricated and maintain a clean environment around your filter and related components.

#### LUBRICATION

There are various types of lubricants available. However, most are intended for moving metal parts. Unfortunately, these lubricants will harm or degrade plastics. **DO NOT** use petroleum based lubricants. Many people consider "PETROLEUM JELLY" safe for babies and can be applied to anything. But, it will DESTROY most plastics and o-rings. Silicone lubricants available at your pool dealer are safe for use on plastics and o-ring seals.

#### **REPAIRS**

Servicing should be performed by a qualified dealer. If disassembly is attempted, mark each of the parts assembled position as it relates to its mating parts. This assures proper alignment when reassembled. Malfunction will occur if the filter is not properly assembled. See your dealer for original replacement parts.

### **CAUTION**

**BEFORE** removing the filter or pump from pool area for servicing, always disconnect the pump from its electrical source and prevent the backflow of water from your skimmer and return fitting ports from flowing out of the disconnected hoses.

- Remove skimmer cover and basket and plug the port at the bottom of the skimmer with a rag.
- Referring to the instructions for your return fitting, install the **Shutoff disc.** Option: stuff a rag into the return fitting opening.
- Disconnect hoses on the filter or pump as necessary when removing for service or repairs.

#### DRAIN TANK See Caution Above

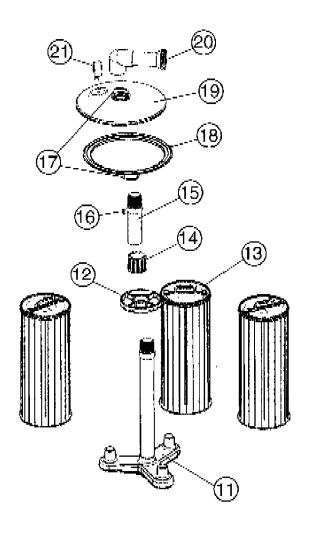
- Remove tank drain cap to drain.
- 2. Remove v-clamp, cover, and large o-ring from tank.
- After servicing, reassemble and install in reverse.
   Make sure tank's o-ring and sealing areas are free
   of any dirt or grit, and that the o-ring is lubricated
   with silicone lubricant. Be sure that the o-ring is
   evenly seated in the cover groove before replacing
   the cover and v-clamp.

# WINTERIZING FILTER

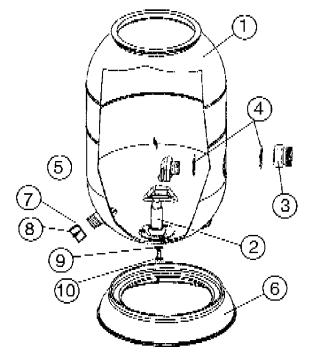
In areas subject to freezing damage, it is **mandatory** that the filter, pump and any related components be removed from the pool area and stored indoors. (Refer to the individual components owner's guide such as pump, skimmer, chlorinator, etc., for specific winterizing instructions.)

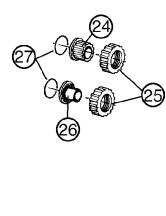
- Siphon water level down below skimmer opening by using your vacuum hose and allow the water to flow to an area that can accept a thousand gallons or more.
- 2. Drain the tank completely.
- 3. Disconnect all line connections.
- 4. Remove v-clamp from the filter and remove the cover and gasket.
- Remove cartridges, flush out tank, clean the cartridges thoroughly and allow to dry completely. Turn the tank upside down to allow the water to drain out of the manifold assembly.
- Reinstall the cartridges only after they have dried completely. Replace the cover and drain cap.
- 7. Store all components in a warm dry area indoors.

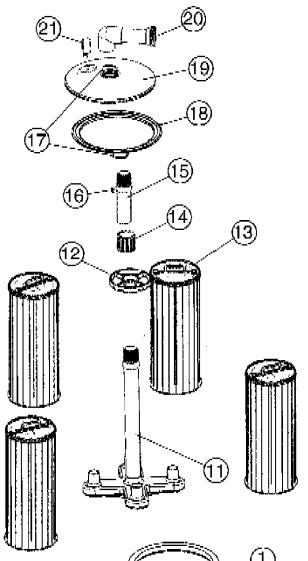
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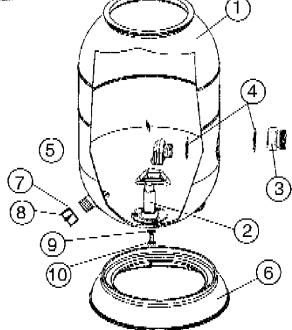


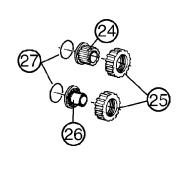
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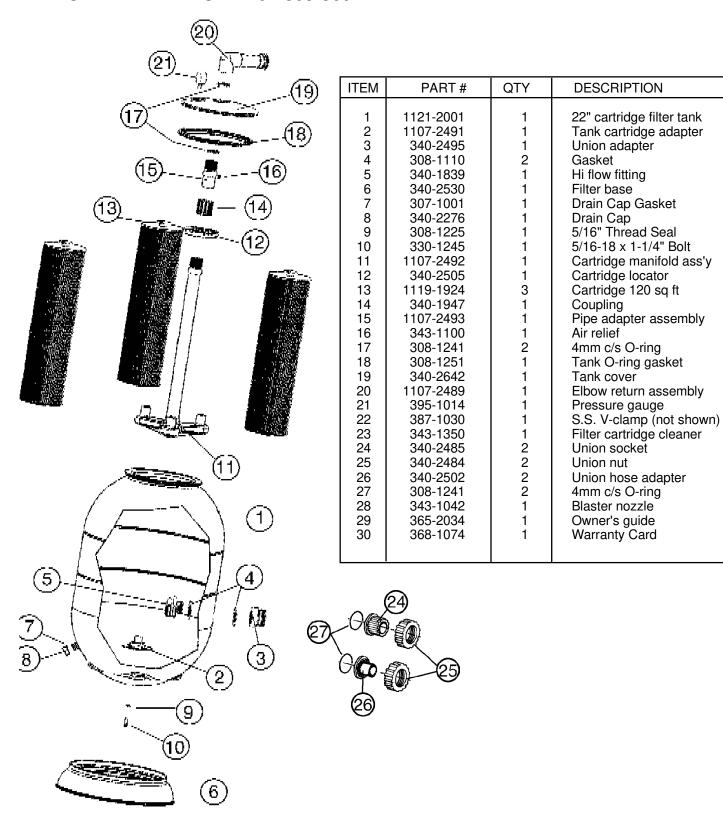


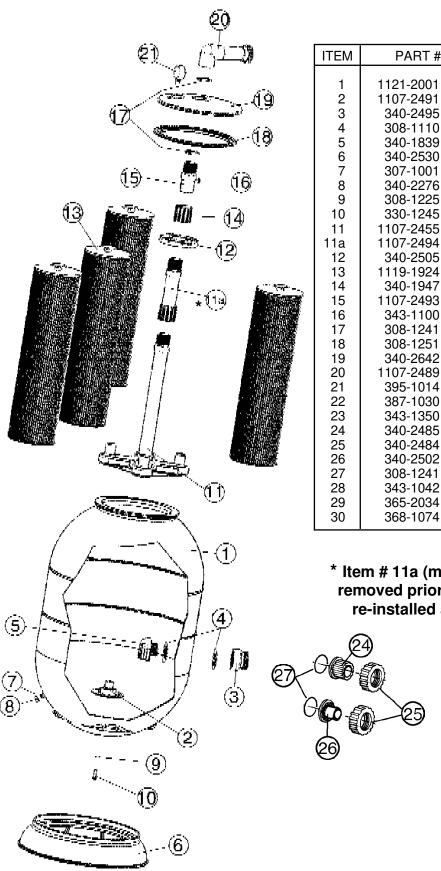












\* Item # 11a (manifold extension), must be removed prior to removing cartridges and re-installed after cartridges have been installed.

# TROUBLESHOOTING CARTRIDGE FILTERS

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	REMEDIES
1 - High gauge pressure, low return flow.	<ol> <li>1 - Cartridge contaminated with suspended solids.</li> <li>2 - Algae growth on cartridge cloth.</li> <li>3 - Calcium crustation on cartridge cloth.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Clean cartridges.</li> <li>Chemically shock pool with chlorine or clean cartridges.</li> <li>Solution clean cartridges with muriatic acid, refer to "Hard Water".</li> </ol>
2 - Very high pressure, no return flow	Cartridge cloth completely clogged with suspended solids or algae growth.	1 - Clean cartridges.
3 - Low gauge pressure, low return flow, bubbles returning to pool.	<ol> <li>Skimmer or pump strainer baskets clogged and restricting flow.</li> <li>Pool water level low, pump drawing in air.</li> <li>Pump strainer lid not firmly secured.</li> <li>Crack in suction hose or loose connection.</li> <li>Vacuum hose too small in diameter.</li> <li>Vacuum cleaner clogged with debris.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Clean out baskets.</li> <li>Fill pool to proper level.</li> <li>Firmly secure pump strainer lid.</li> <li>Replace hose or tighten all suction connections.</li> <li>Replace vacuum hose to a larger diameter and smooth inside.</li> <li>Remove restriction.</li> </ol>
4 - High return flow, low gauge pressure. Pool water won't clear . up.	<ol> <li>Opening in cartridge cloth.</li> <li>Cartridge not seated inside filter.</li> <li>Pool water chemically out of balance.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Replace cartridge.</li> <li>Reassemble cartridges inside filter.</li> <li>Chemically treat and balance pool water condition.</li> </ol>
5 - Short filter cycles.	<ol> <li>1 - Cartridges clogged with contaminants or algae.</li> <li>2 - Calcium crustation on cartridge cloth.</li> <li>3 - Vacuuming large amounts of sediments from pool floor.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Clean cartridges.</li> <li>Clean cartridges, (Refer to "Hard Water").</li> <li>Chemically treat and balance pool water condition.</li> </ol>
6 - No gauge pressure, low or no flow, pump running OK.	<ol> <li>Pump impeller plugged with debris or impeller threads are stripped.</li> <li>Skimmer or pump basket clogged.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Service pump to remove obstruction or replace impeller.</li> <li>Clean out baskets.</li> </ol>
7 - Debris flowing into pool from return inlet.	<ul><li>1 - Opening in cartridge cloth.</li><li>2 - Cartridge not seated properly.</li></ul>	<ul><li>1 - Replace cartridge.</li><li>2 - Reassemble cartridges inside filter.</li></ul>

Note: Contact your pool dealer for any problems you cannot solve.

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